

Harkness

Autumn 1987 - Spring 1988



Drummer Boy

What's New in 1987

Harkness



From Dickson

A variety from Pat Dickson is voted 'Rose of the Year' — the first time any breeder has achieved this two years running.

SWEET MAGIC (*Dicmagic*) is a 'Patio Rose' in a new colour — pretty tones of golden orange with deeper tints. Like others recently developed by Pat Dickson, **SWEET MAGIC** is a dwarf rose of special character. The name 'Patio' is used for neat, not too spreading plants, with leaves, buds and flowering stems all uniformly small in scale.

Two further 'Patio Roses' in salmon and pink are new this year: **BUTTONS** (*Dicmickey*) and **LITTLE WOMAN** (*Diclittle*) — see pp25 & 27.

LAUGHTER LINES (*Dickerry*) is a colourful and showy Floribunda bringing good health into the prettily marked red/white/yellow shaded roses. See details on p20.



SWEET MAGIC (Dicmagic) — 'Patio Rose' of novel colour — described on p.27. Joint Rose of the Year Award for 1987.

From Harkness

DRUMMER BOY (*Harvacity*), pictured on the front cover, is 'a little smasher', making a neat bushy plant with masses of flowers in rich bright crimson — a real advance in the dwarf reds to go with the new 'Patio Roses'. See p26.

CHRISTINGLE (*Harvalex*), pictured left, is a wonderful sight with its quantities of shapely blooms. For details see p17.

ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL (*Harroffen*) will please lovers of Old Garden Roses, as it has old-style flowers freely borne in summer and autumn. See p33 for the special story about its introduction.

POTTON HERITAGE (*Harsprice*) has good fragrance and is a large flowered Hybrid Tea of exquisite form and unusual colour — cherry red with pink reverse; See p14.

OTHER NEW ROSES...

H/Teas: HEIDI JAYNE, INGRID BERGMAN, LINCOLN CATHEDRAL, ROYAL WILLIAM (Joint Rose of the year 1987) & SOLITAIRE (pp.11—15)

Patio: SCOTTISH SPECIAL (p.27)

Miniature: LITTLE ARTIST (p.29)

Climber: NIGHT LIGHT (p.37)



CHRISTINGLE (Harvalex) forms graceful sprays of perfect blooms; we offer it as our 1987 Charity Rose in aid of The Children's Society.

For Rose Lovers

Roses are beautiful in themselves, and useful in many different ways as garden plants. Whether your garden is large or small, roses will suit your needs, be they Miniatures at ankle height or Climbers reaching 30ft or more.

Our 1987 Catalogue contains 300 for you to choose from. Come in summertime to Hitchin or visit other major gardens to see them growing if you can, or refer to our Collections and Choosing Chart on pp.6/7 designed to make selection easier.

Ours are not the cheapest roses, we cosset them too much for that. We aim for quality, and employ experienced caring staff so that when, after many months, our plants are ready for your garden, they may be a credit to us all.

We offer other plants as well as roses, plus a host of useful 'extras' at our Harkness Rose Centre. The selection is great and the prices reasonable - all part of our grower-to-gardener nursery-fresh service.

About Ourselves

We are a long-established family business, small enough to give you personal service, large enough to offer a worthwhile choice. Each year we grow over 200,000 plants for sale direct to rose lovers. Most are parcelled up and sent by post. Many people prefer to call for their plants, which can be taken away from the nursery most months of the year.

This work follows time-honoured tradition, for this year we celebrate the centenary of our first National Rose Championship in 1887. We look forward to meeting old friends, and making new ones, at Chelsea, St. Albans, Shrewsbury and the London shows.

New Rose Breeding ensures we keep in the forefront of rose developments, and summer visitors can see stunning novelties in the Rose Fields as well as older favourites.

A major extension to our Rose Centre has just been opened, so come and see for yourself what an old-established forward-looking enterprise has to offer in 1987.

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DRUMMER BOY
(Harvacity)

This brilliant little rose is wonderful where you want a show of colour for a long period in a small space, as it is neat and compact in growth.

See p.26

TRIPLE CROWN COLLECTION

Celebrates Jack Harkness's success in achieving 3

Supreme Rose Awards in 1986

AMBER QUEEN amber, p.16

'La Rose Euroflora' in Genoa Italy

L'OREAL TROPHY orange—salmon, p.11

'Golden Rose 1986' in Courtrai, Belgium

MOUNTBATTEN yellow, p.21

'Golden Rose of The Hague' in Holland

'TC' COLLECTION

£5.95 + p&c

We choose some of our own favourite Roses for these collections, hoping that others will share their enjoyment.

There's a saving too on the Catalogue each price. See page 46 for details of postage, discounts, etc. We reserve the right to include alternatives should stock run short.

SHOW COLLECTION

The following will suit lovers of big blooms, the sort that will outshine others, on the Show Bench or the sideboard:

Hot Pewter, scarlet p.11 **Beryl Bach**, yellow/pink, p.9

Sweetheart, light pink, p.15 **Big Chief**, deep red, p.8

Double Delight, blush/red, p.9

'S' COLLECTION

£8.85 + p&c

FRAGRANT ROSES - LARGE FLOWERS

Alec's Red, Crimson

Double Delight, blush edged red

Pacemaker, rich reddish pink

Paul Shirville, salmon

Rosemary Harkness, orange and coral pink

Full descriptions pp.8—14

'FL' COLLECTION

£8.95 + p&c

FRAGRANT ROSES - SMALLER FLOWERS

Amber Queen, amber **Korresia**, yellow

Margaret Merrill, blush **Radox Bouquet**, rose pink

Sheila's perfume, red and yellow

Full descriptions pp.16—22

'FS' COLLECTION

£8.90 + p&c



PACEMAKER fragrant Gold Medal rose growing in the famous Queen Mary Rose Gardens, Regents Park

GARDEN ROSES - LARGE FLOWERS

Abbeyfield, deep pink **Freedom**, bright yellow

Basildon Bond, apricot **Fragrant Cloud**, dusky scarlet

Peaudouce, creamy yellow **Lovely Lady**, rose pink

Remember Me, deep copper

Precious Platinum, red

Just Joey, coppery pink **Silver Jubilee**, salmon

Full descriptions pp.8—15

'G' COLLECTION

£15.95 + p&c

LARGE FLOWERED STANDARDS

Std. **Abbeyfield**, deep pink, p.5

Std. **Freedom**, rich yellow, p.5

Std. **Remember Me**, deep copper, p.5

'LFS' COLLECTION

3 for £23.75

+ p&c

SMALLER FLOWERED STANDARDS

Std. **Amber Queen**, amber p.5

Std. **Margaret Merrill**, blush, p.5

Std. **Wandering Minstrel**, reddish salmon, p.5

'SFS' COLLECTION

3 for £22.75

+ p&c

CUTTING ROSE COLLECTION

These give decorative blooms, especially useful to cut for the house

Anisley Dickson, salmon pink
Anne Harkness, golden apricot
Harkness Marigold, peach pink
Olive, deep bright red
Princess Alice, empire yellow
Described on pp.16—21

'C' COLLECTION

£8.75 + P&C

'PATIO' ROSE COLLECTION

Dense low bushy growers, plant in tubs, in paving spaces or by the edge of paths and borders.

Dainty Dinah, rose red
Drummer Boy, bright crimson
Gentle Touch, light salmon pink
Peek a Boo, apricot pink
The Fairy, rose pink
Descriptions pp.26—28

'P' COLLECTION

£8.80 + p&c

SHRUB ROSE COLLECTION

For the first time we offer five of the modern free flowering Shrub Roses with graceful form and old-style beauty.

Anna Zinkeisen, white-gold
Cardinal Hume, tyrian purple
Graham Thomas, yolk yellow
Red Blanket, light crimson
Rosy Cushion, light pink

See pp.30—33 for descriptions

'SHR' COLLECTION

£13.95 + p&c

CLIMBING COLLECTION

Flowering summer and autumn, see pp.35—37 for full descriptions

Compassion, pink fragrant
Breath of Life, apricot
Sympathie, rich deep red

'CLG' COLLECTION

£7.25 + p&c



AMBER QUEEN (Harroony) was voted Rose of the Year 1984 and now holds 11 awards in 8 countries. We include it in the 'Triple Crown' and 'Fragrant Roses — Smaller Flowers' Collections. For full description see p.16

DO YOU HAVE FRIENDS DOWN UNDER?

We can arrange to send them a gift of Roses for you, supplied direct by our agents in Australia (Brundretts of Narre Warren North) and New Zealand (Masons of Feilding).

The season for planting is May to August, and the cost of the Collection includes postage and a gift card to incorporate any special message you wish to send.

AUSTRALIA COLLECTION

ALEXANDER, vermillion
ELIZABETH HARKNESS, blush, scented
RADOX BOUQUET, rich pink, fragrant



ASK FOR THE
'AUS' COLLECTION

£18.75 net

includes card & p&c

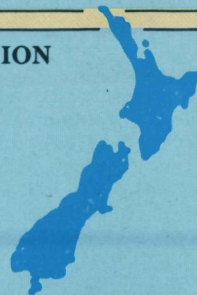
NEW ZEALAND COLLECTION

Margaret Merrill, blush, sweet scent.
Paul Shirville, fragrant salmon
Remember Me, coppery orange

ASK FOR THE
'NZ' COLLECTION

£14.95 net

includes card & p + c.





STD. NOZOMI, one of summer's prettiest sights

STD. NOZOMI: This blush – white rose from Japan has a natural trailing habit, and makes a marvellous display where you want the effect of a Weeping Standard, especially if you are limited for space. No frame or special trimming is needed. In midsummer, when new shoots are growing, the effect is spiky for a short time, until the shoots bow under their own weight; you can attach threads to make them arch over more quickly if you wish. **£9.75**

Weeping Standards

A Weeper or Weeping Standard is a Rambler budded at the top of a standard stem. The pendulous shoots arch down under their own weight towards the ground, thus creating the weeping effect. *New Dawn* requires a trainer to control; the others will cascade naturally – and beautifully – to the ground.

- WPG. STD. CRIMSON SHOWER**, deep crimson, p.35 **£11.75**
WPG. STD. DOROTHY PERKINS, rose pink, **£11.75**
WPG. STD. FRANCOIS JURANVILLE, rose pink, p.36 **£11.75**
WPG. STD. NEW DAWN, blush, sweet scent, p.37 **£11.75**
WPG. STD. SANDER'S WHITE, white, fragrant, p.37 **£11.75**

Small Flowered Standards & Half Standards

- STD. BALLERINA**, apple blossom pink, big heads of small flowers, hydrangea-like effect, p.30 **£9.75**
STD. BONICA, rosy pink, beautiful double flowers of pretty form on trailing stems. p.30 **£9.75**
STD. MARJORIE FAIR, wine red with light eye, excellent partner for 'Ballerina', p.32 **£9.75**
STD. NOZOMI, blush pink to white, graceful effect, see above left. **£9.75**

Use Them to Create High Points of Colour in the Garden

This year there are several new and unusual additions to the list. We group them under the following heads:

STANDARDS & HALF STANDARDS

These are the varieties that develop upright bush heads – the effect being like a Bush Rose held up to view.

STANDARDS carry the flowers at eye level for a person of average height; **HALF STANDARDS** carry the flowers a few inches lower.

All the Roses in this group have large or medium sized flowers, with many petals. See the page numbers for full descriptions.

PLANTING DISTANCE is optional – but don't plant closer than 3ft. apart.

SMALL FLOWERED STANDARDS & HALF STANDARDS

These carry lots of small flowers in sprays, sometimes so full and heavy that the shoots will bow under the weight. This creates a rounded outline, and with *Std. Bonica* and *Std. Nozomi*, a dainty trailing shape.

It is a pity these varieties are not better known, for they have great garden value. You can use them in mixed flower borders, or create an attractive and interesting bed by planting varieties of differing heights. They are well worth a try, especially if you want to get away from the barer look of conventional Standard Roses. Even within a small area, you can create a dainty and arresting effect by using Miniature Standards and Small Flowered Standards.

A request from our office: when you order Standards, please write 'STD.' (or ½ STD., Min. Std., Wpg. Std.) in front of the variety name so there is no confusion over what you want.

1986 Rose of the Year

- ½ **STD. GENTLE TOUCH**, light rosy salmon, p.26 **£9.75**
 ½ **STD. LITTLE WHITE PET**, white, many-petalled rosettes, a rare old treasure from 1879, p. 27 **£9.75**
 ½ **STD. NOZOMI**, blush pink to white, graceful trailing effect on stems shorter than in the picture **£9.75**
 ½ **STD. PEEK A BOO** apricot, small flowers on a cushion shaped head, enchanting, p. 27 **£9.75**
 ½ **STD. THE FAIRY**, makes umbrella-like head with scores of pink rosettes, p.28 **£9.75**

For Discounts, Packing & Carriage see p.46.

Full Standards

STD. ABBEYFIELD ROSE , rose red to pink, p.8	£8.75
STD. ALEC'S RED , deep red, rich scent, p.8	£8.75
STD. ALEXANDER , vermillion, vigorous, p.8	£8.75

1984 Rose of the Year

STD. AMBER QUEEN , amber, fragrant, p. 16	£8.75
STD. ANISLEY DICKSON , reddish salmon, p.16	£8.75
STD. FRAGRANT CLOUD , scarlet, fragrant, p.10	£8.75
STD. FREEDOM , bright yellow, excellent, p.10	£8.75
STD. ICEBERG , white, splendid head, p.19	£8.75
STD. JUST JOEY , coppery shades, p.11	£8.75
STD. LOVELY LADY , salmon pink, p.12	£8.75
STD. MARGARET MERRIL , blush white, sweet enduring fragrance, p.20	£8.75

1982 Rose of the Year

STD. MOUNTBATTEN , yellow, vigorous, p.20	£8.75
STD. PAUL SHIRVILLE , salmon pink, fragrant, p.13	£8.75
STD. PEACE , yellow with pink, vigorous, p.13	£8.75
STD. PEAUDOUCE , creamy primrose, p.13	£8.75
STD. PRECIOUS PLATINUM , shining red, p.14	£8.75
STD. REMEMBER ME , coppery orange, p.14	£8.75
STD. ROSEMARY HARKNESS , fragrant sunset blend, p.14	£8.75
STD. RUBY WEDDING , rich red, p.15	£8.75
STD. SHEILA'S PERFUME , red and yellow, p.22	£8.75
STD. SILVER JUBILEE , salmon, vigorous, p.15	£8.75
STD. SILVER WEDDING , pearly white, p.15	£8.75
STD. WANDERING MINSTREL , reddish salmon, superb leafy growth, p.24	£8.75

Care for Standard Roses

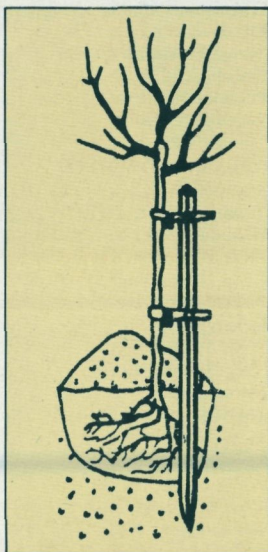
You should drive in a stake before planting, and see that the stake is set just under the lowest graft. Tie securely. (For callers, we have stakes and ties in stock, supplies permitting.)

Plant to the soil mark left by the nursery.

Don't try to make your Standards shorter by planting deeper.

Always keep an eye on your ties before and during the winter, especially to renew them before we have snow or gales.

Do not prune too hard, you should not normally remove more than half the top when pruning your standards.



SILVER JUBILEE — excellent garden and show rose; this makes a wonderful Standard.

Our collections of Standard Roses give you Extra Value — see page 2.

Half Standards

½ STD. ABBEYFIELD ROSE , rose red to pink, p.8	£8.50
½ STD. ALEC'S RED , deep red, rich scent, p.8	£8.50
½ STD. AMBER QUEEN , amber, fragrant, p.16	£8.50
½ STD. FRAGRANT CLOUD , scarlet, fragrant, p.10	£8.50
½ STD. FREEDOM , bright yellow, excellent, p.10	£8.50
½ STD. MARGARET MERRIL , blush white, sweet enduring fragrance, p.20	£8.50
½ STD. PAUL SHIRVILLE , salmon pink, sweetly perfumed, p.13	£8.50
½ STD. PRECIOUS PLATINUM , shining deep red, p.14	£8.50
½ STD. REMEMBER ME , coppery orange, p.14	£8.50
½ STD. ROSEMARY HARKNESS , fragrant sunset blend, p.14	£8.50
½ STD. SHEILA'S PERFUME , red and yellow, p.22	£8.50
½ STD. SILVER JUBILEE , salmon, vigorous, p.15	£8.50

Miniature Standards

Miniature Rose varieties on short standard stems, perfect for growing in tubs on patios, balconies etc. or as garden plants where small scale items are required.

Min. Std. Baby Masquerade : Yellow/pink, p.28	£6.50
Min. Std. Colibri '79 Apricot, p.28	£6.50
Min. Std. Snowball , white, compact, p.29	£6.50
Min. Std. Snow Carpet : White, p.27	£6.50
Min. Std. Stacey Sue : Pink, p.29	£6.50

Rose Selection Guide

Harkness

We give our recommendations for ways in which some of our favourite roses can be used. The heights given are what can normally be expected in an open situation under our local conditions, but may vary depending on soil, site and climate. Fragrance is based on our noses at Hitchin, which are not infallible guides, for appreciation of perfume is a very personal thing. We assess each variety on a scale of 1 to 10, the higher the better. Some roses grow upright, others bushy or spreading; see the variety descriptions for these and other details; you can find them by reference to the Index inside the back cover.

Colour Variety & Height
(See note above)

DARKEST RED

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Perla de Alcanada, 1ft	●	●	●	1
Fairy Damsel, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Intrigue, 2½ ft	●	●	●	1
The Times, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Innoxia Femille, 3ft	●	●	●	4
Papa Meilland, 3ft	●	●	●	9
Royal William, 3ft	●	●	●	5
John Waterer, 3½ ft	●	●	●	2
Loving Memory, 3½ ft	●	●	●	2

DEEP RED

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Wee Jock, 1¼ ft	●	●	●	1
Save the Children, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Robin Redbreast, 2ft	●	●	●	1
Invincible, 2½ ft	●	●	●	2
Ingrid Bergman, 2½ ft	●	●	●	4
Alec's Red, 3ft	●	●	●	9
Olive, 3ft	●	●	●	4
Precious Platinum, 3ft	●	●	●	3
Rob Roy, 3ft	●	●	●	3
Marjorie Fair, 4ft	●	●	●	2
James Mason, 4½ ft	●	●	●	3

BRIGHT RED

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Darling Flame, 1¼ ft	●	●	●	1
Anna Ford, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Seafarer, 2ft	●	●	●	3
Trumpeter, 2ft	●	●	●	2
Disco Dancer, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Evelyn Fison, 2½ ft	●	●	●	1
Cheshire Life, 3ft	●	●	●	2
Christingle, 3ft	●	●	●	2
City of Bradford, 3ft	●	●	●	2
Fragrant Cloud, 3ft	●	●	●	9
Alexander, 5ft	●	●	●	3

PINKY RED

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Dainty Dinah, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Abbeyfield, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Gallica Officinalis, 2½ ft	●	●	●	4
Red Blanket, 2½ ft	●	●	●	2
Pacemaker, 3ft	●	●	●	7
Wendy Cussons, 3½ ft	●	●	●	7

Colour Variety & Height Bed Hedge Cutting Fragrance Rating

DEEP PINK

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Angela Rippon, 1½ ft	●	●	●	3
Fairy Changeling, 1½ ft	●	●	●	4
Shona, 2ft	●	●	●	3
Dr. Darley, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Anisley Dickson, 3ft	●	●	●	3
Harvest Home, 3ft	●	●	●	6
Rochester Cathedral, 3½ ft	●	●	●	4

MEDIUM PINK

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Stacey Sue, 1¼ ft	●	●	●	2
Little Woman, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
The Fairy, 2ft	●	●	●	2
Letchworth Garden City, 2-2½ ft	●	●	●	4
Bonica, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Pink Favourite, 2½ ft	●	●	●	2
Pink Parfait, 2½ ft	●	●	●	2
Lovely Lady, 2½-3ft	●	●	●	4
Radox Bouquet, 3ft	●	●	●	8
Blessings, 3-3½ ft	●	●	●	3
Congratulations, 4ft	●	●	●	2
Queen Elizabeth, 5-8ft	●	●	●	2
Marguerite Hilling, 6ft	●	●	●	4

LIGHT PINK

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Hollie Roffey, 1ft	●	●	●	2
Gentle Touch, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Busy Lizzie, 2-2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Sexy Rexy, 2-2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Frau Dagmar Hartopp, 2½ ft	●	●	●	5
Lady Sylvia, 3ft	●	●	●	8
Rosy Cushion, 3ft	●	●	●	5
Sweetheart, 3ft	●	●	●	6
Ballerina, 3-4ft	●	●	●	2
Cornelia, 4ft	●	●	●	4
Felicia, 4-5ft	●	●	●	5

BLUSH

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Nozomi, 1½ ft	●	●	●	1
Hiroshima's Children, 2½ ft	●	●	●	3
Elizabeth Harkness, 2½-3ft	●	●	●	4
Margaret Merrill, 2½-3ft	●	●	●	9
Ophelia, 3ft	●	●	●	8
Pristine, 3ft	●	●	●	5
Penelope, 3-4ft	●	●	●	4
Maiden's Blush, 6ft	●	●	●	6

CREAM AND WHITE

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Snowball, ½-¾ ft	●	●	●	2
Yvonne Rabier, 1¼ ft	●	●	●	4
Hakuun, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Little White Pet, 1½ ft	●	●	●	2
Grace Abounding, 2½-3ft	●	●	●	4
Pascali, 3ft	●	●	●	2
Iceberg, 3-5ft	●	●	●	2
Saga, 3½ ft	●	●	●	3
Sally Holmes, 4ft	●	●	●	4
Nevada, 6ft	●	●	●	4

AMBER

Colour Variety & Height (See note above)	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
Amber Queen, 2-2½ ft	●	●	●	5
Clarissa, 2-2½ ft	●	●	●	2
Whisky Mac, 2½-3ft	●	●	●	6
Anne Harkness, 3½ ft	●	●	●	2
Southampton, 3½ ft	●	●	●	4
Buff Beauty, 4ft	●	●	●	5

Colour Variety & Height	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
COPPERY ORANGE				
Colibri [®] 79, 1 ¼ ft - ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Sweet Magic, 1 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Peek a Boo, 1 ½ - 2 ft	●	●	●	2
Avocet, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Just Joey, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Basildon Bond, 3 ft	●	●	●	4
Remember Me, 3 - 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
SALMON ORANGE				
Hula Girl, 1 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Fyvie Castle, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Sue Ryder, 2 ½ - 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Rosemary Harkness, 3 ft	●	●	●	8
Mischief, 3 - 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	4
SALMON PINK				
Buttons, 1 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Wishing, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Paul Shirville, 3 ft	●	●	●	8
Fragrant Delight, 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Silver Jubilee, 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
REDDISH SALMON				
Can Can, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Memento, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Typhoon, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Wandering Minstrel, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
G P & J Baker, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Harkness Marigold, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
L'Oreal Trophy, 3 ½ - 4 ft	●	●	●	3
BRIGHT YELLOW				
Baby Gold Star, 1 ft	●	●	●	2
Rugul, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	2
Ards Beauty, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	5
Freedom, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	4
Korresia, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Goldstar, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Princess Alice, 3 - 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Canary Bird, 7 ft	●	●	●	4
MEDIUM YELLOW				
Golden Angel, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	3
Bright Smile, 2 ft	●	●	●	3
Princess Michael of Kent, 2 ft	●	●	●	4
Pot o' Gold, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	5
Simba, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	4
King's Ransom, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Arthur Bell, 3 - 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Mountbatten, 3 ½ - 5 ft	●	●	●	4
LIGHT YELLOW				
Rise'n Shine, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	2
Grandpa Dickson, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Diamond Jubilee, 3 ft	●	●	●	6
Pea Douce, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Anna Zinkeisen, 4 ft	●	●	●	5
Graham Thomas, 4 ft	●	●	●	4
ODDITIES				
Julia's Rose, 2 ½ - 3 ft	●	●	●	1
Greensleeves, 3 ft	●	●	●	1
Iced Ginger, 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Rubrifolia, 5 - 6 ft	●	●	●	1



AVOCET (Harpluto) Excellent for a bed of one variety, or for a rose hedge; useful too for cutting.

Colour Variety & Height	Bed	Hedge	Cutting	Fragrance Rating
RED & YELLOW				
Baby Masquerade, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	2
Conqueror's Gold, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	4
Marion Harkness, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Sheila's Perfume, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	5
Piccadilly, 3 ft	●	●	●	2
Potton Heritage, 3 ft	●	●	●	5
Tablers' Choice, 3 ft	●	●	●	1
Vital Spark, 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	1
PINK & YELLOW				
Kim, 1 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Volunteer, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	3
Beryl Bach, 2 ½ - 3 ft	●	●	●	4
Golden Jubilee, 3 ft	●	●	●	3
Peace, 4 ft	●	●	●	2
Lady Penzance, 5 ft	●	●	●	3
PINK/RED & WHITE				
Little Artist, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	1
Regensburg, 1 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Len Turner, 2 - 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	4
Laughter Lines, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	2
Double Delight, 2 ½ - 3 ft	●	●	●	7
Gallica Versicolor, 3 ft	●	●	●	4
Festival Fanfare, 4 ft	●	●	●	2
LILAC & MAUVE				
Baby Faurax, ¾ ft	●	●	●	3
Lavender Jewel, 1 ¼ ft	●	●	●	2
Escapade, 2 ½ ft	●	●	●	6
Yesterday, 2 ½ - 3 ½ ft	●	●	●	5
Harry Edland, 3 ft	●	●	●	7
Scabrosa, 5 ft	●	●	●	5
PURPLE				
International Herald	●	●	●	
Tribune, 1 ½ - 2 ft	●	●	●	4
Cardinal Hume, 3 ft	●	●	●	4
Roseraie de l'haie, 6 ft	●	●	●	7

The Harkness Rose Guide

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The 300 Roses in this Guide are our selection of the best the world can offer. Our personal rating, based on years of observation and experience, is given as follows:

B = Beauty of Flower or Flower-Cluster
GE = General Effect of the plant as a desirable garden item

F = Fragrance — The merit rating is 1 to 10, the higher the better.

Heights are for mature plants in normal conditions.

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Hybrid Tea Bush Roses

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The popular roses you see everywhere. *Plant these bushes 2ft apart except where stated.*

ABBNEYFIELD ROSE (*Cocbrose*) (Cocker, Scot. 1985)

Rose red to deep rosy pink, a warm and cheerful colour. The flowers are beautifully formed with high centres, and carried elegantly on compact leafy plants. The combination of good

form, true rose colour, remarkable freedom of bloom and attractive bedding habit make this a highly desirable garden rose — and it has an excellent health record too.

Bred from *National Trust* x *Silver Jubilee*, and named to mark the work of the Abbeyfield Society in providing care and housing for the elderly. 2½ ft. B8, GE10, F3. *Pictured p.8* £2.50
In the Garden Rose Collection on p.2

ALEC'S RED

(Cocker Scot. 1970)

Rich cherry red, capable of giving stunning blooms of perfect form, large size and rich fragrance. Excellent for cutting. Strong growth, 3½ ft. B9, GE6, F9. £1.95
In the Fragrant Collection on p.2

ALEXANDER

(Harkness, Eng. 1972)

Luminous vermillion, the brightest of all. Bold tall grower for beds and hedges, long stems for cutting, but take the flowers young, before the outer petals separate. Very healthy grower. Holds 10 International Awards. 5ft. Plant 2½ ft. apart. B9, GE9, F3. *Pictured on p.9* £1.95

BASILDON BOND

(Harkness, Eng. 1980)

Rich apricot; reddish veining on the young buds gives way to pure apricot as they unfold. The medium sized flowers are very freely borne on upright plants. One of the first to bloom. Good to cut, and tolerant of wet weather. Lovely dark glossy leaves, a perfect complement to the rich colour. Gold Medal, Belfast, 1982. 3ft. B6, GE8, F4. £2.25
In the Garden Collection on p.2

BIG CHIEF

(Dickson, N.I. 1975)

Deep crimson. Whopping great flowers, ideal for winning first prize at Shows. Upright, 3ft. B9, GE6, F3 £1.95
In the Show collection on p.2



ABBNEYFIELD ROSE — an excellent garden plant. Makes a splendid free flowering bed and a fine Standard and Half Standard rose.

BERYL BACH

(Harkness, Eng. 1985)

You can see *Silver Jubilee's* influence as a parent rose in the perfect shape and form of *Beryl Bach*. High centred buds of whitish yellow stained crimson open into handsome flowers of 40 petals. They undergo subtle changes from pale to deeper primrose yellow as they unfold with random flushes of pale crimson that vary in intensity according to season. Pleasant refreshing fragrance.

This novel and beautiful rose so impressed Mr. Emil Willemstyn on a visit one day, that he asked us to call it *Beryl Bach* in memory of his beloved wife. She was, in his words, 'little and Welsh' — hence the name.

Upright habit, mid-green foliage, stands bad weather extremely well. A good one for Exhibitors to try. Awarded Certificate for Outstanding Novelty at the Liverpool I.G.F., 1984. 2½-3ft. B10, GE7, F4. Pictured p. 9 **£2.50**

In the Show Collection on p.2

BLESSINGS

(Gregory, Eng. 1968)

Rosy salmon pink. Pleasing, free blooming and a good choice for bedding. Upright, 3ft. B8, GE8, F3. **£1.95**

BLUE MOON

(Tantau, Ger. 1964)

Lilac pink, a beauty in fine weather when the 'blue' tones show. Good to cut, fragrant. Foliage rather sparse. Upright, 3ft. B4 to 8, GE5, F6. **£1.95**

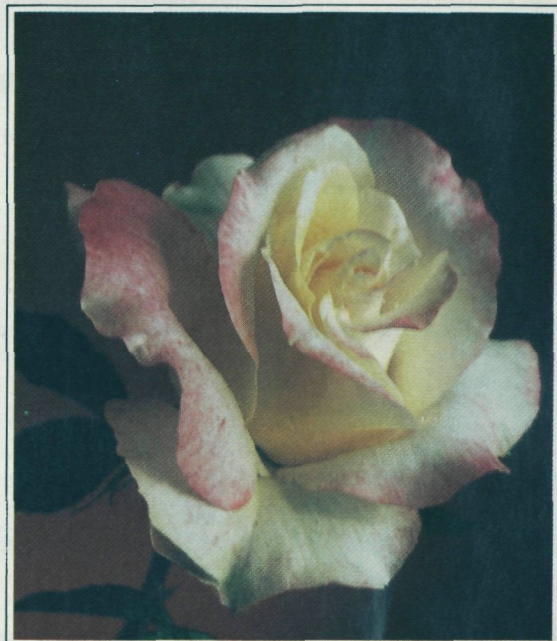
CAN CAN (Legglo)

(Le Grice, Eng. 1982)

Pretty orange red shade. Has large petals which display the colour well, making this a good choice for beds and for cutting. Bushy, 2½ft. B7, GE8, F6. **£1.95**



ALEXANDER — brilliant colour, bold tall plant for a hedge or bed



BERYL BACH, elegant with pretty colour changes.

CHESHIRE LIFE

(Fryer, Eng. 1972)

Vermilion, something like a shorter Alexander. Bears well formed, medium sized blooms that withstand bad weather. Free flowering, generously foliaged, and fine for a bed or hedge. Bushy, 3ft. B7, GE9, F2. **£1.95**

CONGRATULATIONS (Kortift)

(Kordes, Ger. 1978)

Rose pink. Most beautifully formed full flowers freely produced on strong plants, ideal for flower arrangement. Upright, 4ft. B10, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

DIAMOND JUBILEE

(Boerner, U.S.A. 1947)

Glorious corn yellow flowers of perfect substance and form — when the sun shines! Sodden lumps in drizzly rain alas! You need patience but the rewards are worth it. Vigorous grower, good constitution, nearest to a fragrant Old Tea Rose you can hope to cultivate out of doors. Bushy, 3ft. B1—10 depending on the season, GE1 — 10 ditto, F6. **£1.95**

DOUBLE DELIGHT (Swim & Ellis (Armstrong), U.S.A. 1977)

'A vanilla ice dipped in strawberry juice' well describes this confection of blush with red marking. The flowers vary a good deal in colouring, size and quality, the best being among the loveliest roses you will find, with sweet fragrance as a bonus. Looks well planted in a group. Upright, uneven growth, 2½-3ft. B4-10, GE6, F7. **£2.25**

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DR. DICK (Cochaden)

(Cocker, Scot. 1986)

Large, shapely orange coral blooms on short bushy plants make this a pretty garden rose with potential also for exhibition. Bred from *Fragrant Cloud* x *Corso*. Bushy, 2½ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.95**

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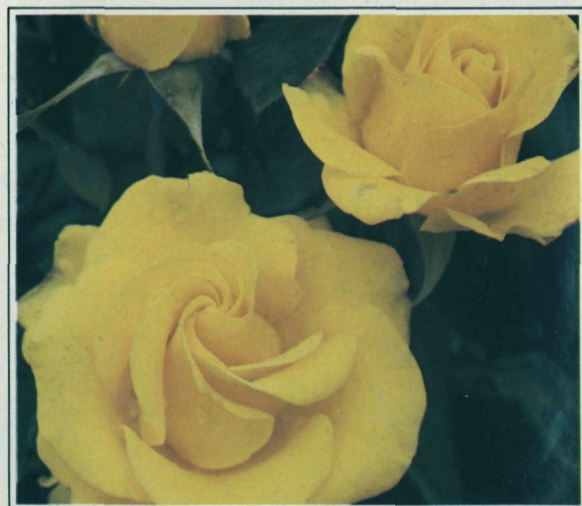
DR. DARLEY (Harkness, Eng. 1982)
Fuschia pink, a strong and positive colour. The flowers are urn shaped, of good size with long petals. Has good health record, and was an outstanding success at the Munich International Garden Festival in 1983, winning the only Gold Medal in the H.T. class, after two years' growing trials. Vigorous and upright. 3ft. B7, GE8, F3. **£2.50**

ELIZABETH HARKNESS (Harkness, Eng. 1969)
Ivory with a touch of pink and gold. Beautiful at its best, with full wide opening blooms, and a high proportion of them reach this standard. Free flowering, good for bedding and cutting. Bushy, leafy, 2½-3ft. B9, GE7, F4. **£1.95**

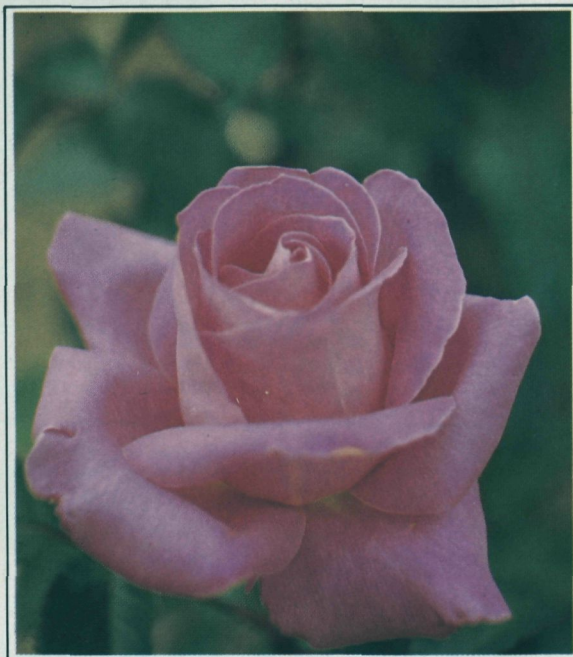
ENA HARKNESS (Norman, Eng. 1946)
This favourite old crimson scarlet standby hardly needs describing; still unsurpassed for the combined qualities — beauty of form, richness of colour and fragrance. Feed her well. Branching habit, 3ft. B10, GE6, F6. **£1.75**

ERNEST H. MORSE (Kordes, Ger. 1965)
Deep red, reliable and popular for bedding and cutting. Upright, 3ft. B8, GE7, F5. **£1.75**

FREEDOM (Dicjem) (Dickson, N.I. 1984)
Deep unfading yellow. The flowers are of medium size, very freely borne on leafy plants. This is an important addition to the HT roses, bringing good health and exemplary bedding habit into the yellows.
The combination of rich colour and abundant leaf is bright and pleasing.
Pat Dickson bred this from (*Eurorose* x *Typhoon*) x *Bright Smile*. and it won the RNRS Gold Medal in 1983 — evidence of its high quality performance over 3 years of trial. Bushy, neat, 2½ft. B8, GE9, F4. *Picture p.10.* **£2.50**
In the Garden Rose Collection on p.2 also in Standard & Half Standard form, see p.5.



FREEDOM (Dicjem) — neat flowers, wonderful bloom production and good leafy habit make this a top class rose for a bed of one variety.



HEIDI JAYNE — large flowers of classic form with fragrance.

FRAGRANT CLOUD (Tantau, Ger. 1963)
Dusky scarlet, fragrant, free flowering and a favourite for beds, cutting and the show box. Bushy, 3ft. B9, GE8, F9. **£1.75**

FYVIE CASTLE (Cockbamber) (Cocker, Scot. 1985)
A refreshing blend of apricot, amber and pink. There are few really good roses in these colours. This one, bred from *Silver Jubilee*, has many virtues — neat compact growth, glossy green foliage, a good health record, well formed flowers and freedom of bloom. Holds the rare distinction of two Premier Awards for the Best Hybrid Tea — the Gold Star in New Zealand and Silver Plate at Baden-Baden. Compact, 2-2½ft. B10, GE9, F3. **£2.50**

GOLDEN JUBILEE (Cocker, Scot. 1981)
Yellow, with a touch of pink. Big flowers, carried boldly on firm stems, contrast well against the crisp foliage. Sturdy upright plant, 3ft. B7, GE8, F3. **£1.95**

GOLDSTAR (Candide) (Cant, Eng. 1983)
Plant this bright unfading yellow rose in a bed or border, and you will have a great resource for cut blooms to bring indoors. Flowers are small to medium in size carried firmly on upright stems. Has excellent plant qualities which enabled it to win the Gold Medal at The Hague, 1984. 3ft. B9, GE10, F3. **£2.50**

GRANDPA DICKSON (Dickson, N.I. 1966)
Light yellow with pink tints in hot weather. A well established bedding plant and show rose famous for its large flowers of perfect form. Upright, foliage rather sparse, 2½ft. B9, GE7, F3. **£1.75**

HEIDI JAYNE

(Carlile, Eng. 1987)

Pink, a rich and positive colour. The flowers are beautifully formed with 34 large petals, borne very freely on upright plants with light glossy foliage. They are sweetly fragrant and good to cut.

Named for the young daughter of Wisbech rose grower John Esser, who entered the rose for the RNRS trials where it won the Certificate of Merit in 1983. Upright, 3ft. B9, GE8, F6.

£2.95

HOT PEWTER

(Harkness, Eng. 1978)

Pale vermillion, an unusual but beautiful rose colour. Big high centred flowers, for the garden and the show box. We almost scrapped this but have come to like it more each year. Deserves to be better known. Branching, 3ft. B8, GE7, F3.

£2.25

In the Show Collection on p.2.

INGRID BERGMAN (Poulman) (Poulsen, Denmark. 1986)

Rich deep red, bearing flowers of neat form on firm upright stems. A good rose for a bed or a hedge, as growth is reasonably even and the flowers are freely produced, holding the colour well.

This impressed the judges in 5 countries during its trials, helped by its evident vigour and handsome leaf. Bushy, 2 ½ ft. B8, GE9, F4.

£2.95

INNOXA FEMILLE (Harprincely) (Harkness, Eng. 1982)

Rich deep burgundy red. Bears flowers of large size and rounded form, with many petals. On its day, as lovely a dark red rose as any you will find. The early and late blooms are especially good, mid-season ones indifferent. Use it for beds, hedges and group planting, or as a specimen on its own.

Vigorous, thorny, 3ft. +. B5-9, GE7, F4.

£1.95

ISOBEL HARKNESS

(Norman, Eng. 1957)

Yellow, a cheerful bedding rose, good to cut, with neat spreading habit. 2 ½ ft. B7, GE8, F3.

£1.95

JOHN WATERER

(McGredy, N.I. 1970)

Deep crimson. Well formed flowers, sizeable, on strong upright plants make this a desirable rose for bedding. Upright, 3 ½ ft.

B8, GE9, F2.

£1.75

JOSEPHINE BRUCE

(Bees, Eng. 1952)

The darkest reliable red H.T. Not perfect - crabby growth, mildew, poor mid-season flowers all weigh against it - but it is still worth having for the occasional faultless flowers, with velvety bloom on shining black petals. Branching, rather sparse foliage, 2 ½ ft. B5-10, GE6, F4-7.

£1.95

JULIA'S ROSE

(Wisbech Plant Co., Eng. 1976)

'Coppery parchment' or 'tan with pink' give some idea of the strange colour of this shapely rose. Definitely a flower arranger's dream, that 'rewards good cultivation' as the old catalogues used to say; meaning, give it the very best you can by way of site, soil and after care, if you want results. It is worth it. Spindly, 2 ½ - 3ft. B6-10, GE5, F1.

£2.50

JUST JOEY

(Cant, Eng. 1973)

This rose seems to improve with age, like a good wine. The rare coppery-fawn-buff colour and rather ragged petal outline give it a unique character. The petals appear loose but are so large that in warm weather you get blooms of astonishing size. Awarded James Mason Medal in 1986 as the rose which has given most pleasure in past years. Lovely to cut, pleasing in a bed or group. Spreading, 2 ½ ft. B10, GE7, F3.

£1.95

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L'OREAL TROPHY (Harlexis), sport of **ALEXANDER** with same good health and vigour, and thrice Gold Medal winner — Paris 1982, Belfast 1984 & 'Golden Rose 1986' at Courtrai. Superb for bed, hedge and to cut.

KING'S RANSOM

(Morey, U.S.A., 1961)

Yellow, a well tried and dependable rose for bedding and cutting. Upright, 3ft. B8, GE7, F3.

£1.75

LADY SYLVIA

(Stevens, Eng. 1927)

Light pink. This old treasure looks spindly alongside modern roses, but is too good to be without. Perfect neat flowers for cutting. Upright, 3ft. B6-9, GE7, F2.

£2.25

LEIGH LO

(Harkness, Eng. 1981)

Light pink. The enormous flowers of lasting quality are perfect for exhibitors. Good as a garden rose in drier seasons. Upright, 3ft. B6-9, GE7, F2.

£2.50

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL (Glanlin) (Langdale, Eng. 1987)

It is a rare feat for an amateur raiser to win a Gold Medal. This rose is an unusual and pretty blend of orange and pink, and impressed the judges by its large well-formed flowers, freely produced on neat branching plants against dark glossy foliage.

Bred from *Silver Jubilee* x *Troika*, two excellent parent roses. Inherits some of *Troika*'s fragrance. Bushy, 3ft. B9, GE9, F4.

£2.95

L'OREAL TROPHY (Harlexis)

(Harkness, Eng. 1982)

Beautiful orange-salmon, with some of the luminosity of *Alexander*, of which it is a sport; and which it also resembles closely in form of flower, growth, foliage, good health, and great cutting value. The flowers should be cut *young*, before the outer petals separate. This ensures they retain their shape and colour to perfection as they open, and they will last for days. Upright, 4ft. B9, GE9, F3, Pictured p.11.

£2.50

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LOVELY LADY (*Dicjubell*) – an excellent leafy rose, one of the best pinks to choose for a bed.

LOVELY LADY (*Dicjubell*) (Dickson, N.I. 1986)
Large rosy pink blooms of classic H.T. shape, full petalled, high centred and fragrant. Among the many good pink roses, this is outstanding. The flowers are borne freely, held on firm stems; the plant has health and stamina, with abundant handsome foliage. Just as one would hope for, indeed, from the parentage – *Silver Jubilee* x (*Eurorose* x *Annabel*). Awarded Cert. of Merit, RNRS, and recommended for garden and exhibition use, and especially good for a bed of one variety. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE10, F4. *Illustrated p. 12* **£2.50**
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LOVING MEMORY (*Korgund*) (Kordes, Ger. 1981)
Bright crimson. Bears large well formed blooms on stiff stems. They catch the eye, standing out like soldiers on parade. Upright, 3½ ft. B8, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

MALA RUBINSTEIN (Dickson, N.I. 1971)
Camellia pink flowers of medium size and pretty form. A fine garden rose, remarkable for freedom of bloom and sweet fragrance, inherited from the parent *Fragrant Cloud*. Bushy, 2½ ft. B8, GE8, F7. **£1.95**

MARION HARKNESS (Harkness, Eng. 1979)
Vivacious yellow and orange red, the lovely glowing buds becoming deeper as they open. They are of medium size and excellent for cutting, as several are borne together in wide sprays. Repeats very quickly. Bushy, well foliated, 2½ ft. B9, GE9, F2. **£1.95**

MISCHIEF (McGredy, N.I. 1961)
Coral salmon, more orangey in Autumn. An older rose still in the top flight for bedding, cutting and exhibition. Upright, 3 ft. +. B9, GE8, F4. **£1.75**

MME. BUTTERFLY (Hill, U.S.A. 1918)
Creamy rose pink. A blush deeper than *Ophelia*, of which it is a famous sport. Plant a group of this and you will have perfect flowers for cutting for many weeks from June to Autumn. Growth looks spindly, but the plants are surprisingly tough and enduring. 3 ft. B10, GE6, F8. **£2.25**

NATIONAL TRUST (McGredy, N.I. 1970)
Rich red, we give it full marks as a bedding rose, for its well formed flowers of medium size, freely produced on short neat plants. A pity there's not more scent. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£1.95**

NEVILLE GIBSON (Harkness, Eng. 1983) Pink, a medium shade. The enormous flowers won this three major awards in Geneva. Grown for its great value to exhibitors. Upright, 2½ ft. B8, GE5, F2. **£2.50**

OPHELIA (Paul, Eng. 1912)
Blush; this pale veteran continues to delight generations of rose lovers. One of the all time greats for cutting, buttonholes and general garden use. Thin wiry stems. Upright, 3 ft. B10, GE6, F8. **£2.25**

PACEMAKER (Harnoble) (Harkness, Eng. 1981)
Rich reddish pink, a bold clear colour like that of the old Bengal Roses. A high proportion of the flowers have perfect H.T. form — of good size and symmetry, with high centres — and rich fragrance. Excellent free flowering garden rose for hedge or bed; indeed the bed in the Belfast Trials won *Pacemaker* the Gold Medal in 1983. Handsome and glossy foliage. Upright, 3 ft. B9, GE9, F7. *Picture on p. 2* **£2.50**
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PAPA MEILLAND (Meilland, France, 1963)
Superb blackish red, high pointed richly fragrant blooms are the reasons people ask for this. Be warned of its faults: addiction to mildew, uneven in growth, apt to die on you. We don't guarantee to replace this one. Lanky, 3 ft. B10, GE2, F9. **£2.50**



PEAUDOUCE (*Dicjana*) is a large flowered rose of classic beauty and offered also as a Standard Rose – see p. 5.

PASCALI

(Lens, Belgium, 1963)

White with just a hint of cream. The medium size flowers are perfectly formed; good for beds, hedges and cutting. An excellent rose. Upright, 3ft. B10, GE7, F2. **£1.75**

PAUL SHIRVILLE (Harqueterwife) (Harkness, Eng. 1983)

Salmon pink, a blend of dawn and peach pink tones. 'The most photogenic Rose I know' says a professional photographer. Our illustration reveals its pretty form, combining elegance and substance.

Paul Shirville won the Edland Medal for Fragrance in 1982, and is highly recommended for beds, to grow in a group or by itself, and for cutting. Growth leafy and spreading, 3ft. B10, GE9, F8. **£2.50**

In the Fragrant Collection on p.2 and also available as a Standard and Half Standard, see p.5

PEACE

(Meilland, France, 1942)

Light yellow with pink flush. Set a new standard for beauty of flower and foliage 40 years ago, and still superb for all purposes. Strong leafy, 4ft. Plant 2 ½ ft. apart. B10, GE10, F2.

£1.75

PEAU DOUCE (Elina—Dicjana) (Dickson, N.Ireland 1985)

This creamy primrose newcomer has classic beauty. High pointed buds open to reveal flowers of perfect rounded form. The colour has been well described as ivory with lemon centre, making Peaudouce a splendid choice where 'hot' colours need toning down. Use for beds, for cutting and for exhibition. Habit is bushy and leaves are plentiful of a mid green. They set the flowers off to perfection. All in all, a rose to soothe the spirit and refresh tired eyes. Bred from Nana Mouskouri x Lolita, and awarded Certificate of Merit, R.N.R.S. 3ft. B10, GE10, F3. **£2.50**

In the Garden Rose Collection on p.2

PICCADILY

(McGredy, N.I. 1959)

Red and yellow, an old rose loved for its gay colour, pretty form and freedom of bloom. First class for beds and hedges, and to cut. Leafy, upright, 3ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£1.75**

PINK FAVOURITE

(Von Abrams, U.S.A. 1956)

Pink. Its assets are good size, clear colour, perfect form, freedom of flower, shiny foliage and splendid health. Easy grower for all purposes. Some consider this a boring rose because of its predictable perfection—the ultimate compliment? Branching, 2 ½ ft. +. B8, GE8, F2. **£1.75**

1985 Rose of the Year

POLAR STAR (Tanlarpost)

(Tantau, Ger. 1982)

White, bearing high centred blooms of good size on long stems, giving scope for flower arrangers and exhibitors. Dark green foliage, vigorous branching growth. 3-3 ½ ft. B10, GE6, F2.

£2.50

POLLY

(Beckwith, Eng. 1927)

Cream with gold in the depths of the flower. Exquisite form, sweet fragrance. Blooms may spoil in rain, and growth is spindly by modern standards – but the heart-stopping beauty of a perfect flower will win you over. Branching, 2 ½ ft. B10, GE4, F9. **£2.25**



POT O' GOLD (Dicdivine), one of Pat Dickson's best yellow roses, neat grower, nice to cut.

POT O' GOLD (Dicdivine)

(Dickson, N.I. 1980)

Yellow with pleasing 'old gold' tint. The flowers are decorative, that is to say not large, but perfect for flower arrangers and for buttonholes. They are freely borne so from a few plants you can cut a vaseful at a time, and they come especially well late in the season.

As a garden rose this makes a splendid bed or hedge, the scented blooms borne in wide sprays, giving a great display of colour. Bushy, even, 2 ½ ft. B10, GE9, F5. **£2.25**



PAUL SHIRVILLE (Harqueterwife). This pretty garden rose holds awards for Fragrance 12,000 miles apart – in England and New Zealand.

Hybrid Tea Bush Roses

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POTTON HERITAGE (Harsprice)— *this new rose has substance and fragrance. The name commemorates the work of Britain's largest timber frame component makers.*

POTTON HERITAGE (Harsprice) (Harkness, Eng. 1987)
There are several colours in the flower, creating a two-toned effect by the contrast of the petals (warm cherry red) with the outside (yellow shading to pink). The overall effect is delightful, a composition in cheerful red shades with the recurrent glimpse of yellow. The flowers are large, high centred, full-petalled, and have good fragrance. They are carried on a bushy, free branching plant, well furnished with dark glossy leaves. This variety will look well in a bed or border, is very good for cutting as the flowers last, and of interest to Show exhibitors because of the substantial nature of the blooms. Branching, 3ft. B9, GE8, F5. **£2.95**

PRECIOUS PLATINUM (Dickson, N.I. 1974)
Bright red, with a beautiful sheen that catches the eye from afar. Blooms very large and full. Good for cutting, and probably the best red bedding rose of all — the leaves, plentiful and glossy, help to make it so. Vigorous, bushy, 3ft. B10, GE9, F3. **£1.95**

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PRISTINE (Warriner, U.S.A. 1978)
Blush white. The large flowers are prettily formed, and dark leaves set them off beautifully. Good for a bed, hedge and to cut. Won Fragrance Award 1979. Upright, leafy, 3ft. B9, GE8, F5. **£2.25**

REBECCA CLAIRE (Law, Eng. 1986)
The colour is a subtle mix of light pink and pinkish orange, with pretty veining on the outer petals. Blooms with remarkable freedom. Its fragrance so impressed the judges that they gave it the Edland Medal, and we believe *Rebecca Claire* and *Alec's Red* are the only roses to achieve both of the Rose Society's highest honours. *Blessings x Redgold*. Upright, 3ft. B10, GE8, F5. **£2.95**

RED DEVIL

(Dickson, N.I. 1967)

Rosy scarlet. A lazy man's rose, you plant it and nature provides a succession of full blooms; almost certain to win prizes at a Show. Dislikes too much rain though. Strong, bushy, bushy, 3½ft. Plant 2½ft apart. B8, GE7, F5. **£1.95**

REMEMBER ME (Cocdestin)

(Cocker, Scot. 1984)

Coppery orange irradiated with yellow, a rich and novel colour. The flowers are well formed with high centres, variable in size, and carried in well spread heads. Growth is superb, vigorous, bushy, with luxuriant foliage. *Remember Me* is another example of a fine seedling of *Silver Jubilee*, whose genes are doing for the 1980's what *Peace* achieved a generation ago, providing new standards of excellence in our garden roses. The seed parent is *Alexander*. 3ft. B10, GE8, F3. **£2.50**

In the Garden Rose Collection, and also offered as a Standard Rose in the 'LFS' Collection — see p. 2

ROSEMARY HARKNESS (Harrobbond) (Harkness, Eng. 1985)

Colours of a winter sunset fuse to create a gentle, refreshing blend of orange yellow and orange salmon. The flowers are of middle size, borne singly or several together, opening wide from urn-shaped buds to display their pretty colours. They yield a sweet enduring fragrance, so are lovely to cut and enjoy indoors. In the garden *Rosemary Harkness* is a good choice for beds, group planting in borders, or by itself as a specimen bush. Growth is leafy and spreading, giving a denser effect than most bush roses. The rich green leaves have attractive reddish tints when young.

Awarded Certificate for Outstanding Novelty at Liverpool I.G.F. 1984, and bred from *Compassion x (Basildon Bond x Grandpa Dickson)*. Height and width 3ft. Plant 2½ft. apart. B10, GE8, F8. **£2.95**

In the Fragrant Collection on p.2 Pictured p.15



SWEETHEART (Cocapeer) — huge blooms, good fragrance



ROSEMARY HARKNESS (*Harrowbond*)—Sweet fragrance, gentle colours, makes a lovely garden rose.

1987 Rose of the Year

ROYAL WILLIAM (*Kordes, Ger. 1987*)
Deep crimson. There is a need for dark red roses with stamina, and this newcomer provides sturdy growth, good foliage and fragrance.

Named, the breeder tells us, to mark the coming of King William III to England in 1688. Upright, 3ft. B9, GE8, F6. **£2.95**

RUBY WEDDING (*Gregory, England 1979*)
Crimson, neat form, nice to cut. The ideal gift for those spliced in 1947/48. Branching, 2½ ft. B8, GE5, F3. **£2.25**

RUTH HARKER (*Harkness, England 1983*)
Phlox pink. Flower form rounded, with many petals. There is something old fashioned and welcoming about this rose, in colour, shape and especially fragrance. Upright and bushy, 3ft. B8, GE7, F8. **£2.50**

SILVER JUBILEE (*Cocker, Scot. 1978*)
Effectively salmon, actually a blending of peach and pink tints, varying according to season, makes this an interesting as well as superlative rose for beauty and freedom of flower, leafy growth and health. One of the best. Vigorous, bushy, 3½ ft. B10, GE10, F3. *Pictured p.5.* **£1.95**
In the garden Collection on p.2

SILVER WEDDING (*Gregory, England 1976*)
Pearly or creamy white. The flowers are full, prettily formed, nice to cut, or plant as a group or bed. Neat habit, dark leaf. A most acceptable rose for your friends' anniversary. Vigorous, bushy, 2½ ft. B8, GE8, F3. **£2.25**

SIMBA (*Korbelma*) (*Kordes, Ger. 1981*)
The yellow flowers of this rose are among the most perfectly formed of any in the colour. They are held up to view on firm stems on short attractive plants, and will last well when cut. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE9, F4. **£2.25**

SOLITAIRE (*Macyefre*) (*McGredy, N.Z. 1986*)
Yellow with pink flush. Makes a tall vigorous plant, receiving top award in the RNRS 1985 trials. Upright, 4ft. B7, GE7, F3. **£2.95**

SUPER STAR (*Tantau, Ger. 1960*)
Rosy vermillion. A great rose but for liability to mildew. Rangy. 4ft. B10, GE5, F3. **£1.75**

SWEETHEART (*Cocapeer*) (*Cocker, Scot. 1980*)
Warm rose pink. This has scent and long lasting blooms, excellent in the garden, to cut for the house or take to the show. Won fragrance award, Belfast 1982. Sturdy leafy growth, 3ft. B9, GE8, F6. *Pictured p.14. Photo: Vincent Page* **£2.25**
In the Show Collection on p.2

TROIKA (*Poulsen, Denmark 1972*)
Orange red and pink. An excellent garden rose, outstanding for high quality blooms, attractive foliage and robust health. Everyone should grow it. 3ft. B10, GE9, F4. **£1.95**

TYPHOON (*Kordes, Ger. 1972*)
Salmon, with orangey shading, a cheerful combination. Fragrant, good for bedding and cutting. Foliage crisp and abundant. Bushy, 2½ ft. B9, GE9, F6. **£1.95**

WENDY CUSSONS (*Gregory, Eng. 1959*)
Rose red to reddish pink. A classic rose, high form, good size, lavish scent; excellent for budding and cutting, and to show. Branching, 3½ ft. B10, GE8, F7. **£1.75**

WHISKY MAC (*Tantau, Ger. 1967*)
Amber yellow. Large pale flowers make an appealing contrast with the dark foliage. Faults are mildew and dying back of stems, but this rose is pretty and popular. Bushy, 3ft. B9, GE5—8, F6. **£1.95**

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How we describe the Roses is explained on p.8
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1984 Rose of the Year

AMBER QUEEN

(Harroony) (Harkness, Eng. 1984)

Amber yellow, the colour of *Whisky Mac*. Bears beautifully formed flowers of about 40 petals. As they open, the amber colour is highlighted against the dark leaves. Bred from *Southampton* x *Typhoon*, taking the health and beauty of the first named and the lustrous foliage of the second. Where a shorter grower is required, *Amber Queen* makes a marvellous bed, giving growth and a brave display of flower for many weeks (well into December in the mild autumn of 1984).

Amber Queen was voted 1984 Rose of the Year, and holds the Fragrance Award at The Hague, and prizes for Best Floribunda in two 1986 trials at Genoa and Belfast, Certificate of Merit from St. Albans, and Medals from Courtrai and Madrid. 2—2½ ft. B10, GE10, F5. Pictured p.3

£2.50

In the 'Triple Crown' Collection and also the Fragrant Collection 'FS' on p.2

ANISLEY DICKSON (*Dickimono*) (Dickson, N. Ireland 1985)

Worthily voted the President's International Trophy as the best rose in the 1984 RNRS Trials, this is a beautiful variety. The colour is clear pinky reddish salmon, very warm and even in tone. Sizeable flowers appear on well spaced sprays, each bloom neatly formed with about 30 petals. They are freely produced and show up handsomely against the abundant foliage. An excellent rose for a showy bed or group, also for cutting and exhibition. Named by the raiser as a personal tribute in honour of his wife. 3ft. B10, GF, 10, F3. Pictured p.16

In the Cutting Rose Collection on p.3

£2.50



ANISLEY DICKSON (*Dickimono*) won the President's International Trophy as best new rose in the British Trials, 1984



ANNE HARKNESS (*Harkamel*) – A treasure for cutting and showing, especially valuable because it flowers late July onwards when other roses are not on flush.
Photo: Vincent Page

ANNE HARKNESS (*Harkamel*) (Harkness, Eng. 1980)

Apricot. A remarkable rose for three reasons. It produces spectacular sprays on long stems, in which each flower is perfectly formed and neatly spaced. It flowers late, continuing throughout August, when other garden roses are having a rest; thus giving colour in the rose garden at a time when it is badly needed. Thirdly, it follows from the above that *Anne Harkness* among roses is of unique value both to flower arrangers and to exhibitors, providing as it does perfect 'out-of-season' sprays on long stems. Plant it in a bed, or a group, for cutting, and as a hedge; it makes a fine hedge, but should be pruned fairly hard each spring to keep it from growing top heavy.

Anne Harkness' weather resistance was well tried when it was selected for use in the Cathedral decorations at St. Paul's for the wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales. Despite four days of insistent rain the previous week, some 3,000 blooms were available for that occasion. Upright, 3½ ft. B10, GE8, F2.

£2.25

Pictured p.16 In the Cutting Collection on p.3

ARDS BEAUTY (*Dicjoy*) (Dickson, N.I. 1986)

Canary yellow, bright and cheerful. Blooms of medium size and pleasant fragrance appear freely against a background of glossy green foliage on neat bushy plants. An excellent bedding rose, as it always seems to be carrying bloom. *Ards Beauty* received recognition for its general plant qualities and merits by being awarded the President's International Trophy and a Gold Medal by the RNRS in 1983, yet another triumph for raiser Pat Dickson. He used (*Eurorose* x *Whisky Mac*) x *Bright Smile* in the breeding, and named it for his home country in Co. Down. Bushy, 2-2½ ft. B8, GE10, F5.

£2.95

ARTHUR BELL

(McGredy, N.I. 1965)

Bright yellow, paling. Excellent flower form and size, fragrance, and good colour impact make this deservedly popular for beds and cutting. Upright, 3½ ft. B10, GE10, F6.

£1.95

AVOCET (Harpluto) (RSPB)

(Harkness, Eng. 1984)

Orange-edged coppery vermillion, paling to orange pink. The brilliant colour of the young flowers and their dainty arrangement in the spray make this a real eye-catcher. Splendid choice for a free flowering bed, for a bushy hedge and to cut and show. Dark glossy leaves in abundance. Named for the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds whose emblem is the Avocet. Awards won by this rose include a First Class Certificate at the Hague for the performance of a bed of 80 plants judged over two years. Leafy, bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE9, F2. Pictured p. 7.

£2.75

Note: By arrangement, a proportion of the proceeds of sales is being donated to help the work of the RSPB.

1983 Rose of the Year

BEAUTIFUL BRITAIN (Dicfire)

(Dickson, N.I. 1983)

Light tomato red. Neat flowers of regular H.T. form in well spaced sprays. The colour is good, clear, bright and soothing all at once. Excellent for a bed, hedge and for buttonholes. Grows upright with good foliage. 2½ ft. B10, GE9, F2. £2.50

BRIGHT SMILE (Didance)

(Dickson, N.I. 1980)

Yellow, short. Well named, for this is a cheerful variety to have in the garden. Slender buds open out wide showing the flower centres, giving an admirable display of bright colour. Neat bushy growth, lots of shiny leaves. Perfect for front of border, for bed or low hedge. Good health record. Bushy, 2ft. Plant 1¼ ft. apart. B10, GE10, F3. £2.25

Pictured p. 17



BRIGHT SMILE (Didance) The picture does not do justice to this super little rose with its cheerful flowers; really good for a bed or low hedge as it is neat, free blooming, well foliated and has a fine health record



CITY OF BRADFORD (Harrotang) — an effective and showy bedding rose.

BURMA STAR

(Cocker, Scot. 1974)

Light amber yellow. Big blooms, vigorous rather uneven growth, good to cut or group in a border. Upright, 3-4ft. B9, GE7, F4.

£1.95

BUSY LIZZIE

(Harkness, Eng. 1971)

Pleasing shade of rose pink. A favourite of ours for these reasons: neat cushiony habit with plenty of good leaf; flowering stems clothing the sides as well as the top; delightful flower form, from dark pink pointed bud to rosy open flower; super to cut as the blooms are neatly spaced and stay pretty for many days. Compact, rounded, 2-2½ ft. B10, GE10, F3. £1.95

CHRISTINGLE (Harvalex)

(Harkness, Eng. 1987)

Orange red, a very rich and warm shade which owes its brilliance to *Alexander*. The flowers are large and full, as big as many Hybrid Teas, but carried boldly in well spaced sprays, giving a spectacular colour effect. They last for days when cut, retaining well shaped centres. Growth is vigorous, and the plants are clothed plentifully with attractive deep green foliage.

Named for The Children's Society, which helps organise 'Christingle' services in many churches in aid of the work of the Charity. Bushy, 2½ — 3ft. B10, GE8, F2. £2.95

Note: By arrangement with the Society, a proportion of the proceeds of sales will be donated to further its work.



CITY OF BRADFORD

(Harrotang)

(Harkness Eng. 1986)

Vermilion with orange flowers in large sprays are produced on firm stems. This makes a brilliant display and is ideal for a bed of one variety, to plant in a group, or make a hedge. The plant quality is superb, with vigorous bushy growth and abundant dark glossy foliage. Representatives came from Bradford City Council to choose a rose, and were impressed by the flamboyant character and beauty of this one. Other judges like it too, as it holds Certificates in Dublin and in Belgium. Bushy, upright, 3ft. B8, GE10, F2. Illustrated p. 17 £2.50



CONQUEROR'S GOLD (Hartwiz) beautiful orange-red tints suffuse the blooms as they expand. Photo: Vincent Page

CONQUEROR'S GOLD (Hartwiz) (Harkness, Eng. 1986)

At first glance this is yellow, with rounded flowers opening from pointed buds; gradually from the rims inwards they become suffused with pink, which deepens to beautiful shades of golden—orange and red. The effect can be quite stunning, especially as the flowers are set against dark leaves on neat well spread plants. An excellent choice for a bed or group, and source of eye-catching buttonholes.

Named for the Public Record Office to mark the 900th anniversary of Domesday Book. It would be rash to forecast *Conqueror's Gold* will last 900 years, but it deserves a good long run. Bushy, 2-2½ ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.50**

DISCO DANCER (Dicinfra) (Dickson, N.I. 1984)

Vivid orange scarlet, which reflects the light, making it appear almost luminous. Produces a grand display of colour, with lots of flowering trusses. Like many Dickson roses *Disco Dancer* has outstanding plant qualities in respect of habit, foliage and health; making it superb for beds and hedges. Gold Medal at the Hague, 1982. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE10, F3. **£2.50**
Pictured p. 18

ESCAPADE (Harkness, Eng. 1967)

Opens rosy violet around a white centre, reminds us of butterflies perching on the bush. Use it for beds, hedges or grouped in a mixed border — it looks well against dark or stone background. Good for cutting and showing, and fragrant. Upright, 2½—4ft. B8, GE10, F6. **£1.95**

EVELYN FISON

(McGredy, N.I. 1962)

Bright red. The rich colour really stands out; very popular bedding rose. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE8, F1. **£1.75**

FESTIVAL FANFARE (Blestogilvie) (Ogilvie, Eng. 1986)

This striking rose is pale vermillion with creamy white stripes. It carries huge trusses of bloom on tall plants, so the novel colour stands out noticeably. A sport of *Fred Loads*, which means it will be excellent for use where a showy tall plant is required for hedges, borders and beds — and also valuable for exhibition. Selected as the Festival Rose for Stoke National Garden Festival. Upright, 4ft. B10, GE9, F2. **£2.50**

FRAGRANT DELIGHT (Wisbech Plant Co. Eng. 1978)

Light orange salmon. The huge trusses and kind colour make this an outstanding bedding rose. Fragrance Medal winner 1976. Leafy, upright, 3½ ft. B9, GE10, F6. **£1.95**

G.P. & J. BAKER (Harrango) (Harkness, Eng. 1984)

Rich salmon orange with yellow. Large flowers with many petals, incurving like an old rose, intricately layered to remind one of a fabric. Commemorates the founding, by George Percival and James Baker, of the renowned company of furnishing fabric designers. The Bakers brought new Chinese influences into Britain, collecting ancient design motifs and plants besides. A handsome bush, with lustrous dark foliage, for bedding and cutting. Upright, leafy, 3ft. B10, GE8, F3. **£2.25**



DISCO DANCER — sunlight on the petals gives them a wonderful luminous quality.

GRACE ABOUNDING

(Harkness, Eng. 1968)

Off white as it fancies—to cream, or wheat or even pink. A remarkable sight, all these open blossoms, both in the garden and on the Show bench, where it excels. Bred from the famous Shrub rose *Penelope*. Bushy, 3ft. B10, GE8, F4. £2.50

GREENSLEEVES (Harlenten)

(Harkness, Eng. 1980)

Chartreuse green, pinky bud. For flower arrangers. The clusters last for days if cut young as the pink gives way to green; when you time it right the results are breathtaking. Upright, 3ft. B5—10, GE5—10, F1. £2.95

HARKNESS MARIGOLD (Hartoflax)(Harkness, Eng. 1986)

Rich peachy pink salmon. Bears full and beautifully spaced sprays on tall upright stems. Will prove a great asset to flower arrangers and exhibitors, and gardeners wanting a sturdy hedge or bed in an unusual colour. Growth strong but not too tall.

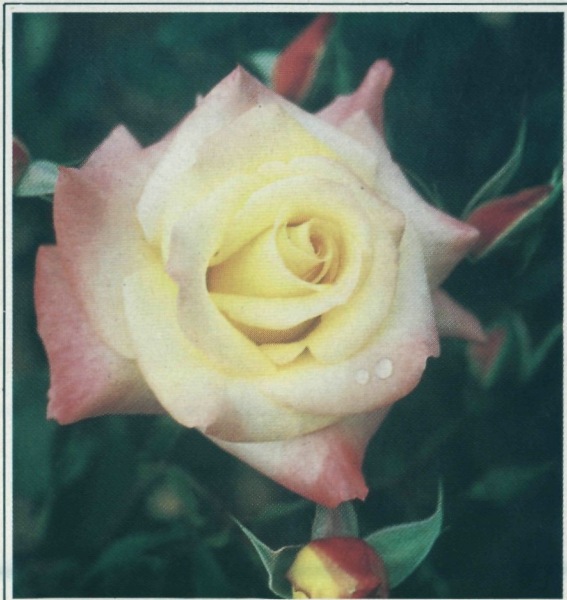
Bred from *Judy Garland* x *Anne Harkness*, which also gave us *Princess Alice* and promises great things in terms of health and flower production for the future. Named by Mrs. Marigold Somerset of Sussex who won the right to name this rose in a fund raising effort for Riding for the Disabled organised by the Worshipful Company of Farriers. Upright, 3ft. B10, GE8, F3. £2.95

Pictured p.19 In the Cutting Rose Collection on p.3

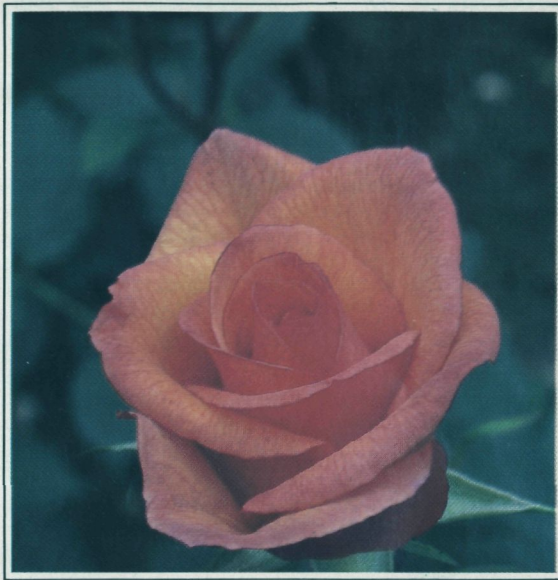
HARRY EDLAND

(Harkness, Eng. 1978)

Lilac pink, one of the best we know in this colour group, as it has large flowers of near H.T. quality, strong growth, good dark foliage and fragrance. A group in a bed or border will give excellent blooms for cutting. Won Edland Medal for Fragrance, 1975. Bushy, 3ft. B10, GE8, F7. £2.25



HIROSHIMA'S CHILDREN — a symbol of renewal



HARKNESS MARIGOLD (Hartoflax) — lively peach salmon shades; in the Cutting Collection on p. 3

Photo: Vincent Page

HIROSHIMA'S CHILDREN

(Harkness, Eng. 1985)

Basically light yellow with creamy pink to pale scarlet petal margins, the colour subtly varying according to season. The high centred flowers are of good size, and really excellent to cut as they hold their form and are lovely at every stage. Vigorous grower, good foliage, habit open and free branching. Dr. Tomin Harada returned to his Hiroshima home in 1945 and has dedicated his life to rebuilding the lives of survivors of the first atomic bomb. *Hiroshima's Children* is named to commemorate his work as a symbol of peace and renewal after the suffering of war. 2½-3ft. B10, GE7, F3. £2.50

ICEBERG

(Kordes, Ger. 1958)

White. A great rose, produces fantastically large clusters in profusion. Thin pale wood belies its toughness, vigour and longevity. The abundance of leaflets helps it shrug off occasional blackspot. Superb for bed, hedge, specimen plant and to cut. Bushy, 3-5ft. B10, GE10, F2. £1.75

ICED GINGER

(Dickson, N.I. 1971)

Buff to copper with ivory and pink. This confection yields some of the prettiest roses imaginable; they are large and full, and last superbly as cut flowers. Upright, leggy, 3½ft. B10, GE7, F2. £2.25

INTRIGUE

(Kordes, Ger. 1979)

Intensely dark red. Soaks up the sun, where other roses burn. Neat roundelay flowers in big well spaced sprays. Makes an eye-catching bed or group. Bushy, 2½ft. B10, GE9, F1. £1.95

INVINCIBLE (Runatru)

(De Ruiter, Holl. 1983)

Scarlet crimson, rich and bold. Looks a valuable newcomer, with flowers of individual high quality borne freely on vigorous upright plants. Plentiful foliage. 2½ft. B10, GE9, F2. £2.25

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KORRESIA (Friesia)

(Kordes, Ger, 1974)

Bright yellow. Flowers hold colour well, making this an excellent choice for beds and hedges. Wavy-edged flower petals give an attractive outline to cut blooms. Bushy, leafy, 2½ ft. B10, GE8, F6. **£1.95**

In the fragrant Collection 'FS' on p. 2.

LAUGHTER LINES (Dickerry)

(Dickson, N.I. 1987)

A bold and beautiful combination of cherry red, gold and white against a rosy pink background; the overall effect is a rich kaleidoscope of colour, like the 'Painted Roses' pioneered by Sam McGredy.

This flowers freely and looks to have an excellent health record, the foliage being plentiful, glossy and attractive. These qualities earned it the RNRS Gold Medal in 1984, one of many successes recorded by Pat Dickson in recent rose trials. Bushy, 2½ ft. B9, GE10, F2. Pictured p. 20 **£2.95**

LEN TURNER (Dicjeep)

(Dickson, N.I. 1984)

Creamy white edged and flushed pink — like a bush version of the more richly coloured flowers of the popular Climber *Handel*. Full of bloom and leaf, and recommended as a lively bedding rose and as a low hedge.

Named to honour Mr. Len Turner, MBE, DHM, Secretary of the Royal National Rose Society, 1965–83. Awarded C. of Merit, 1983. Bushy, 2–2½ ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.50**

LETCWORTH GARDEN CITY (Harkness, Eng. 1979)

Pink with hints of orange salmon. A great performer as a bedding rose, for the bloom production is amazing. You can snip the neat young flowers for buttonholes or the house and they won't be missed. Even bedding habit, good health. Gold Medal Monza. 2½ ft. B8, GE10, F4. **£1.95**



MOUNTBATTEN (Harmantelle) — a magnificent plant for impact.



LAUGHTER LINES (Dickerry) — a rose to make heads turn.

MARGARET MERRIL

(Harkness, Eng. 1978)

Blush white. A 'perfect' rose, with exquisite high centred form and terrific fragrance — a small arrangement will scent the room. First choice for flower arrangers, makes a good bed and hedge.

The dark leaves set off the pale, innocent flowers beautifully. We see *Margaret Merrill* commended for its health, but you may find seasonal blackspot — which, like other vigorous roses, it can overcome. Holds awards galore, including 3 Golds and 4 for Fragrance. Bushy, 2½–3 ft. B10, GE8, F9. Pictured p. 21.

£2.25

MATANGI (Macman)

(McGredy, N.Z. 1974)

Vermilion red with white eye and reverse. Spectacular, free flowering, outstanding for bedding, Bushy, 3 ft. B10, GE10, F1. **£1.95**

MEMENTO (Dicbar)

(Dickson, N.I. 1978)

Salmon red and cherry pink. Big sprays of flower throughout the season give a wealth of colour and make this a very fine bedding and cutting rose. Stands bad weather well, has excellent foliage and a good health record. Bushy, 2½ ft. B9, GE10, F2. **£1.95**

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MOUNTBATTEN (Harmantelle)

(Harkness, Eng. 1982)

Mimosa yellow. Round buds, tight with petals, open into large double scented blooms, the petals reflexing and then incurving to create flowers of interest and changing beauty at every stage. Attractive leaves — crisp, shiny and abundant, clothe the plant at all levels, persisting well into winter. Use *Mountbatten* where you want impact, in a bed, for a hedge, as a specimen — it will make a fine shrub by itself. Upright, 3½ ft. Plant 2½ ft. apart, closer for hedge. B10, GE10, F4. Pictured p. 20. In the 'Triple Crown' Collection on p. 2 **£2.50**

MR.E.E. GREENWELL

(Harkness, Eng. 1979)

Rosy salmon. Excellent healthy bedding rose, long in flower, with blooms that open wide to give a bold display of colour. Neat growth, good dark leaf, recommended. Bushy, 2 - 2½ ft. B9, GE10, F2. **£1.95**

OLIVE

(Harkness, Eng. 1982)

A fine variety with well formed flowers of oxblood red, a very rich and positive colour dazzlingly beautiful when sun lights up the flowers. The blooms are large, neatly formed with pointed centres. As they unfold the broad petals often exhibit waved edges. The flowers are long lasting with excellent weather resistance, and big enough to associate with Hybrid Teas in a planting scheme. Makes a splendid bed or group. Foliage is dark and handsome, growth vigorous. 3—3½ ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.25**
In the Cutting Collection on p.3

PINK PARFAIT

(Swim, U.S.A. 1960)

Pink shades, variable; delightful urn shaped buds, free blooming, good for bedding and cutting. Bushy, 2½ ft. B9, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

Uncertain what to plant? Don't hesitate to write or telephone Hitchin (0462) 34027 & 34171 if you would like advice.



MARGARET MERRIL — very sweetly scented, so we include it in the Fragrant 'FS' Collection on p. 2. You can also have it sent to friends in New Zealand — see p.3



PRINCESS ALICE (Hartanna) — superb natural flower sprays make this Gold Medal rose excellent for cutting.

PRINCESS ALICE (Hartanna)

(Harkness, Eng. 1985)

Empire yellow, a bright and even shade. Spectacular colour effect, as the blooms are produced in the great trusses neatly spaced to form a natural floral bouquet. Each individual flower is full (24 petals,) well formed and maintains a graceful outline as the petals reflex. The flower clusters are carried upright on long stems, so this rose is superb for cutting and exhibition. Vigorous, upright grower, plentiful midgreen foliage, a very good health record.

As a bedding rose *Princess Alice* is very valuable where a variety is needed to show up at a distance, as it really stands out; and is also an excellent choice for a hedge to 3½ ft. You can use it to advantage as a group in a mixed border, along with *Anne Harkness* and *Harkness Marigold*. These three roses stand out from others because of the impeccably spaced natural flower sprays. Awarded the Golden Prize as Best Floribunda in the City of Dublin International Rose Trials, 1984. 3—3½ ft. B10, GE9, F2. **£2.50**

Pictured above. In the Cutting Collection on p.3

PRINCESS MICHAEL OF KENT (Harkness, Eng. 1981)

Canary yellow. The advent in recent years of good yellows (*Ards Beauty*, *Korresia*, *Princess Alice*, *Mountbatten*) may have caused *Princess Michael of Kent* to be overlooked. Yet the more we see it growing the more it appears to deserve the highest rating. The flowers are large, well shaped with many petals, and carried freely against impeccable shiny foliage. The habit is A1, bushy, compact and neat. Where a shorter yellow bedding rose is wanted, we think this is certainly the one to choose. Good health record, pleasant fragrance. Awarded Plaque de Vermeil, Orleans, Silver Medal Munich, and Certificate of Merit at St. Albans and Belfast. Also at Belfast, *Princess Michael of Kent* was voted the rose the general public most preferred. 2—2½ ft. B10, GE10, F4. *Pictured p.22* **£2.25**

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QUEEN ELIZABETH (*Lammerts, U.S.A. 1955*)

Cyclamen pink, the tall rose you see everywhere as a stalwart hedge, bed or specimen. Long stems for cutting. Tall, 5-10ft; prune 3½ ft. below height required. Plant 3ft. apart. B10, GE10, F2. £1.75

RADOX BOUQUET (*Harkness, Eng. 1981*)

Warm rose pink. Has rich fragrance and fully petalled flowers like an old Centifolia rose, combined with the repeat flowering ability and glossy leaf of the modern rose. Use it in a border or bed, or plant a few for cutting so you can enjoy the scent indoors. Upright, 3½ ft. B10, GE7, F8. Pictured p. 22. In the *Fragrant Collection 'FS'* on p. 2 £2.50

REDIFFUSION GOLD (*Harkness, Eng. 1984*)

Deep golden yellow, paling. The many – petalled buds unfold to display as intense a colour as you will find in yellow roses. Lovely to cut, splendid for buttonholes, and useful for grouping in border or bed. Branching. 2½ ft. B10, GE7, F3. £1.95

ROB ROY (*Cocker, Scot. 1971*)

Crimson scarlet. Reminds us of *Ena Harkness* in Floribunda form; flowers being high pointed and of rich unfading colour. Very good as a hedge, useful to group in beds and borders, and a dependable rose for a good supply of buttonholes. Upright, 3ft. + . B10, GE7, F3. £1.95



PRINCESS MICHAEL OF KENT has superlative quality as a garden rose as can be seen from this established bed in the *Queen Mary Rose Garden, Regent's Park* Described p. 21.



SEAFARER (*Hartilion*) (*Harkness, Eng. 1986*)

This pretty rose is dark orange red with orange tints, an unusual and lively combination. The flowers open from plump buds into full cup shaped blooms, useful for cutting as they last well. Growth is neat and bushy, leaves dark and semi-glossy. *Seafarer* is bred from *Amy Brown* x *Judy Garland*, and commemorates the work of The Marine Society, whose founder Jonas Hanway died in 1786. Bushy, 2ft. B10, GE9, F3. £2.50

SEXY REXY (*Macrexy*) (*McGredy, N.Z. 1985*)

Rose pink, like an improved *Dearest*, with full petalled flowers in neatly spaced clusters on sturdy plants against dark leaves. Recommended as a bedding rose and for cutting. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE10, F3. £2.50

SHEILA'S PERFUME (*Harsherry*) (*Sheridan, Eng. 1985*)

A cheerful red and yellow bicolor with beauty, vigour and fragrance. The large petalled flowers are like scaled down H. Teas, high centred at the young stage, opening wide to display the pretty colours. Growth is bushy, upright, fairly dense, with particularly good foliage — reddish purple when young, with a lustrous quality. *Sheila's Perfume* is raised by John Sheridan of Catford, husband of Sheila. His rose achieved the remarkable feat of winning three awards from the Royal National Rose Society on the same day — the Edland Medal for Fragrance among them. 2½ ft. B10, GE8, F5. £2.50

Pictured p. 23. In the *Fragrant Collection 'FS'* on p. 2



RADOX BOUQUET combines the fragrance of Old Garden Roses with the repeat – flowering ability of modern roses; its international honours include *Fragrance Awards* in Belfast & Geneva. We include it in the collection you can send to friends in Australia — details on p. 3.

SHONA (*Dicrum*)

(*Dickson, N.I. 1982*)

Rosy coral pink. Produces neat shapely flowers in large trusses, held close to the plant. The effect is one of compactness and abundance. Highly recommended for short hedge, will make a splendid bed. Bushy, leafy, 2ft. + . B10, GE10, F3. £2.25

SOUTHAMPTON

(*Harkness, Eng. 1972*)

Apricot orange, pinky flush. A classic rose of pleasing marmalade colour and captivating form; sizeable, well proportioned, opening with a soft frilly outline. If you want a rose to delight the eye and nose, to cut for home or show, to form a free flowering leafy hedge, to group in a border or fill an important bed, here it is. Glossy foliage, good health record. *Southampton* has received many tributes — best Floribunda over the past 10 years in the 1981 Rose Annual, 7 International Awards, including the Golden Thorn in Belfast. Upright, 3–4ft. B10, GE10, F4. £1.95

SUE RYDER

(*Harkness, Eng. 1983*)

Salmon orange to light vermillion, colour variable but always pretty. Blooms are sizeable, well formed, good for cutting. Can produce a spectacular truss. A good choice for beds, hedges, and to group in a border. Named for Lady Ryder of Warsaw. Bushy, 3ft. B9, GE8, F3. *Pictured p. 23* £2.50

TABLERS' CHOICE

(*Harkness, Eng. 1974*)

Deep red with yellow reverse. Long lasting flowers against dark bright polished leaves. Good for cutting. The 'Ladies' Circle' Rose. Upright, 3ft. B9, GE8, F1. £2.25

THE TIMES (*Korpeahn*)

(*Kordes, Ger. 1984*)

Crimson red, an excellent deep colour, especially lovely when sun lights up the flowers, which are borne freely in large trusses. Blooms are well filled with short reflexing petals. Foliage is deep green and plentiful, with a reputation for good health. Habit bushy and spreading. President's International Trophy winner, 1982. 2½ft—3ft. B9, GE9, F3. £2.50



SHEILA'S PERFUME (Harsherry) has eye and nose appeal.



SUE RYDER— rich in colour, free in growth.

TRUMPETER (*Mactru*)

(*McGredy, N.Z. 1978*)

Bright red, short. Most attractive rich colour. Gives a great display as there are many flowers per truss. For bed, front of border, small space. Bushy, 2ft. B10, GE9, F2. £1.95

VITAL SPARK (*Cocacert*)

(*Cocker, Scot. 1982*)

Fiery orange yellow and red. The exciting feature of this new rose is its extraordinary long life as a cut flower, due to stiff petals which reflex with pointed tips and hold their shape and colour for days on end. On the plant they need dead — heading. Upright, 3½ft. B10, GE7, F1. £2.25

VOLUNTEER (*Harquaker*)

(*Harkness, Eng. 1986*)

This cheerful yellow-with-pink rose always seems to be in bloom. The buds are pointed and suprisingly slender for a rose with over 30 petals. As the outer petals reflex, the flower retains a high centre, creating a neatly proportioned flower that delights the eye—predominantly yellow, with random flushes of pink. Growth is bushy and wide, the plants well covered with shiny light green leaves. VSO (Voluntary Overseas) exists to assist the poorest countries of the world that need long term help in developing their resources. At present over 1100 volunteer workers of all ages and from many walks of life are supported by VSO, working with people they are helping, offering their skills and training their colleagues. During the Royal visit to China in 1986, a number of VSO workers were presented to the Queen when she went to Kunming and ceremonially planted *Volunteer* roses, flown from Britain for the occasion. Sales of the rose help VSO's work to continue.

Bushy, 2–2½ft. B10, GE9, F3. £2.95



Floribunda Bush Roses

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WANDERING MINSTREL (Harquince)(Harkness, Eng. 1986)

Petal-packed salmon buds open out in large flowers of rounded form. They display a range of pretty orange and pink tints, hard to describe because the balance of colours changes according to the time of year, and indeed that is one of the delights of this variety. Another is the outstanding foliage—glossy, deep green, luxuriant and a beautiful setting against which the blooms appear to nestle. A bed of *Wandering Minstrel* attracts the eye even when not in bloom, showing how far roses have improved on those gaunt sticklike offerings of just a few years ago. The parents are *Dame of Sark* and *Silver Jubilee*, both superbly foliaged. Named to honour Roger Whittaker, whose music making gives pleasure the world over. Bushy, 2½ ft. B9, GE10, F3. Pictured p. 24 **£2.95**



WISHING (Dickerfuffle)— another winner from Pat Dickson— perfectly formed flowers on neat short bushes.

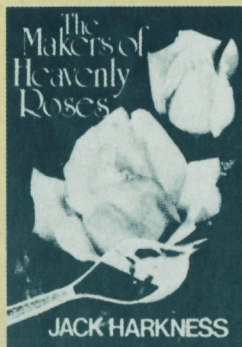


WANDERING MINSTREL (Harquince) — this lustrous-leaved seedling of *SILVER JUBILEE* is named to celebrate Roger Whittaker's own *Silver Jubilee* as a front-ranking balladeer.

Photo: G. Meunier Doc. Meilland.

WISHING (Dickerfuffle) (Dickson, N.I. Ireland, 1985)

By the time the 'W' varieties are reached, there is a danger they will be unregarded; but no one should overlook this perfectly lovely short bushy rose. Peachy pink, remarkable for the wealth of bloom at peak flush, and the size and quality each flower displays. Excellent foliage, short bushy habit, A1 health record. Bred from *Silver Jubilee* x *Bright Smile* (two of the best roses you can buy) which augurs well. 2—2½ ft. B10, GE9, F3. Pictured p. 24 **£2.50**



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BUTTONS (Dicmickey) This novel 'Patio' rose makes a dainty plant for small spaces.

We explain on page 8 how the roses are described. Plant these varieties 1½ ft. apart except where stated.

ANNA FORD (Harpiccolo) Patio (Harkness, Eng. 1980)

Mandarin red paling to orange red. Great performer, one of the best choices where you want short spreading growth; an established bush can produce scores of bright flowers in a season.

Outstanding for edging, petite hedge, small bed, group, patio and pot; lasts well when cut. Many tiny polished leaflets cushion the neat blooms, making *Anna Ford* a satisfying rose for gardeners who care about the unified relationship of the whole plant. Award for Best New Seedling Rose, 1981. Bushy, Spreading, 1½ ft. B10, GE10, F2. Pictured below. £2.25



ANNA FORD (Harpiccolo) – reporting on Display Gardens round the country, 'The Rose' says in its first issue: 'one variety stood out above all others: *Anna Ford*'. This low growing Cluster Flowered orange beauty scored highly on all counts in all of the Gardens'

WHAT ARE PATIO ROSES?

The word 'Patio' calls to mind an area for garden relaxation, where narrow borders, spaces in paving, ornamental tubs, troughs and the like give opportunities for small plants to flourish. When applied to roses, the term 'patio' describes varieties particularly suitable to grow in such positions.

We include with these a few old favourites like *Little White Pet*, *Cecile Brunner* & *Perle d'Or*, but most are much more recent.

Among the very best small flowered ones are these four raised by Pat Dickson in which growth is neat and not spreading, the buds are prettily urn-shaped, with blooms, flowering stems and leaves all uniformly small in scale: *Sweet Magic*, *Buttons*, *Gentle Touch* & *Little Woman*. With them you could use *Anna Ford*, *Wee Jock*, *Drummer Boy* & *Yvonne Rabier*.

A little more spreading in habit are *Bianco*, *Fairy Changeling*, *Fairy Damsel*, *Peek a Boo* & *Scottish Special*. *Clarissa* is taller, *Rugul* dwarfier, *Nozomi* trails extensively. *The Fairy*, *Robin Redbreast* & *Yesterday* are splendid for hedges or to make a group of one variety.

Miniatures (pp. 28–29) are excellent for patio use, and *Baby Faurax* & *Snow Carpet* (a delightful petite trailer) are sometimes grouped with them.

BABY FAURAX Dwarf Polyantha (Lille, France, 1924) Pale violet, 'as close to a blue rose as you'll find' says Pbi's 'The Rose Expert'. Stumpy, short, astonishing. Upright, 9 inches. B9, GE7, F3. £1.95

BIANCO (Cocblanco) Patio (Cocker, Scot. 1983) Creamy white rosettes are freely produced in large clusters. Short plant, open and spreading. 1½ ft. B8, GE7, F2. £1.95

BUTTONS (Dicmickey) (Dickson, N.I. 1987) Pretty shades of light salmon red. The buds have an appealing urn shape, like petite H. Teas and are carried in well spaced sprays on springy stems. If you want roses to cut for small arrangements, a few plants of *Buttons*, *Gentle Touch*, *Little Woman* and *Sweet Magic* will prove a marvellous resource. Neat and upright, 1½ ft. B10, GE8, F2. £2.95 Pictured p. 25

CECILE BRUNNER China (Ducher, France, 1961) Light Pink, tiny and elegant in bud. A classic rose for buttonholes, plants spindly by modern standards. Bushy, 1½ ft. B10, GE7, F2. £2.95

CLARISSA (Harprocrustes) China type (Harkness, Eng. 1983) Apricot. Petite replica H.T. blooms, like *Cecile Brunner*. Trusses may bear 3 dozen blooms, so this is a superb cutting rose for small arrangements, especially where garden space is limited. Makes a good hedge where narrow upright growth is required, eg. beside a pathway. Awarded Gold Star of the South Pacific, and a cup in Geneva. Tall, upright, with many shiny leaflets, 2-2½ ft. B10, GE8, F2. £2.50



GENTLE TOUCH (*Dioclula*)—delightful snippable buds of petite H.T. form.

DAINTY DINAH (*Cocamond*) Patio (Cocker, Scot. 1981)
Rose red to coral pink, a very pleasing and kindly shade. The plants are neat and bushy, producing sizeable blooms, full of petals, opening to show a rounded form. Prolific and effective where you want a short leafy rose that will go readily with other colours. Bushy, 1½ ft. B9, GE9, F2. **£2.25**
In the Patio Collection on p. 3

DRUMMER BOY (*Harvacity*) (Harkness, Eng. 1987)
Bright crimson, a colour with both depth and brilliance. We marked this as a 'winner' from the first flowering of the nursery seedlings, because it flowers so freely, maintains a neat low habit, keeps its colour tone and fills the need for a good red to plant with other dwarf and patio roses. Growth is a little taller and wider than *Marlena*, for which it is a good replacement. *Drummer Boy's* brilliant mass colour effect showed to good advantage in the Dublin Rose Trials, where it received the Certificate of Merit. We forecast that many gardens will be planted with it as it merits become known. Neat and bushy, 1½ ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£2.95** Pictured front cover & p. 26
In the Patio collection on p. 3

FAIRY CHANGELING (*Harnumerous*) Patio (Harkness, Eng. 1981)
Rose pink to magenta, variable. Rosette type flowers of fair size come freely on leafy 'cushion' plants. The varying pink colours appear together, an unexpected and charming effect. Dark burnished leaflets enhance the picture. Excellent for all purposes. Bushy, 1½ ft. B9, GE10, F4. **£1.95**

FAIRY DAMSEL Patio (Harkness, Eng. 1981)
Deep oxblood red. Small rosettes in wide sprays. Solid and striking enough to have impact as a specimen plant in a small space; always seems to be in flower. Silver Medal, Munich. Dark leaf, spreading growth, 1½ ft. B7, GE10, F2. **£1.95**

1986 Rose of the Year

GENTLE TOUCH (*Dioclula*) Patio (Dickson, N.I. 1986)

A most beautiful pale pink rose, bearing dainty blooms like small-scale Hybrid Teas. They are carried in clusters large in proportion to the plant, so you can see a wealth of colour in a small space, so useful where there is limited garden room and you need extra flower value. *Memento* is in the parentage, itself one of the most generous of roses with its bloom.

Bushy, 1½ ft. B10, GE8, F2. Illustrated p. 26. *In the Patio Collection on p. 3* **£2.95**

HAKUUN Dwarf (Poulsen, Denmark, 1962)

Buff to creamy white. Trusses crammed with flowers like a white cloud (which is what 'Hakuun' means.) Much energy goes into blooming so plants are short—but tough. Should be better known. Bushy, 1½ ft. B7, GE9, F2. **£1.95**

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE (*Harquantum*) (Harkness, Eng. 1985)

Violet, bordering on lilac purple, of a rich and bright intensity rarely seen in roses. The colour impact is tremendous for its novelty, and because so many flowers appear together. Cup-shaped flowers of about 20 petals are carried in large clusters on firm upright stems. They become flat as the petals reflex, displaying a lively contrast between their dominant violet—purple colour and whitish yellow centres. The continuity of bloom is excellent, habit neat, compact and leafy, health record first rate. In trials worldwide, this rose has won top prizes in Switzerland, Italy and Japan. Bushy, 1½—2 ft. B10, GE9, F4. **£1.95**



DRUMMER BOY (*Harvacity*)—'a little smasher'



PEEK A BOO (*Dicgrow*) A fascinating shrublet bred from *Nozomi*, ideal for patio and tub, like a weeping rose on the ground.

KIM Dwarf (*Harkness, Eng. 1973*)

Yellow, some pink suffusion. Flowers large for so small a plant, giving a good splash of colour. Repeats well, and lasts wonderfully as a cut flower. Compact, crisp foliage, upright, 1½ ft. B10, GE8, F3. **£1.95**

LITTLE WHITE PET Dwarf Sempervirens (*Henderson, U.S.A. 1879*)

White. The flowers are very double and beautifully formed with many short petals. This spreading little plant has charmed generations of gardeners. Good for clump or on its own. Bushy, wide 1½ ft. B10, GE8, F2. **£2.95**

LITTLE WOMAN (*Diclittle*) Patio (*Dickson, N.I. 1987*)

Pretty shades of rose pink. What has been said of *Buttons*, regarding the petite H.T. flower form and general habit, applies to *Little Woman*. The colours vary somewhat according to the time of year, and take on a more salmon shade under artificial light. Awards include Certificates of Merit in Dublin and St. Albans. Upright, neat and bushy. 1½ ft. B10, GE9, F3. **£2.95**

NOZOMI Patio (*Onodera, Japan, 1968*)

Pearl pink to white, will trail its slender stems all over the place. Trim it if it goes too far. The flowers are a reminder of the guileless beauty that a mere 5 petals can command. Super for top of low wall, sizeable container, informal area, any small space where you want a creeping ground cover plant. Tiny leaves. 1½ ft. Plant 2ft. apart. B10, GE10, F1. **£2.50**
Shown as a Standard Rose on p. 4.

PEEK A BOO (*Dicgrow*) Patio (*Dickson, N.I. 1981*)

Apricot to pink. Many small flowers in graceful sprays on compact rounded plant like a cushion. Bred from *Nozomi* and really in a class of its own. Use it wherever you want a plant of delightful character in a small area, for bed, hedge, patio, rockery or tub. Growth low, spreading with some spiky shoots you may leave or prune, 1½ ft. high and wide. Plant 2ft. apart. B8, GE10, F2. Pictured p. 27 In the Patio Collection On p. 3 **£1.95**

PERLE D'OR China (*Dubreuil, France, 1883*)
Honey pink; like *Cecile Brunner* in other respects and a great old favourite. 1½ ft. B8, GE7, F2. **£2.95**

REGENSBURG (*Macyoumis*) Dwarf (*McGredy, N.Z. 1979*)
Light pink, white eye. Flowers are sizeable and open wide to display lots of colour. Neat leafy growth, makes a pretty sight as a low hedge or front-of-border rose. Bushy, 1½ ft. B10, GE9, F2. **£1.95**

ROBIN REDBREAST (*Interrob*) Patio (*Isink, Holl. 1984*)
Dark red, yellowish white eye. Only a few petals per bloom, but dozens of blooms clustered together make this a spectacular flowering plant, giving a startling effect when grouped in beds, borders and odd small spaces. Bushy, spreading, 2ft. B7, GE10, F1. **£2.50**

RUGUL (*Tapis Jaune*) (*De Ruiter, Holl. 1973*)
Bright yellow flowers against a carpet of tiny leaflets. Dwarf, compact, 1¼ ft. B8, GE10, F2. **£2.50**

SAVE THE CHILDREN (*Hartred*) Patio (*Harkness, Eng. 1986*)

Clusters of rich deep scarlet flowers, especially eye-catching as they open to show hearts of golden stamens. The blooms are lasting, hold their colours, and are well set off against crisp, shiny dark green leaves. This is an excellent garden rose for small spaces, for the front of a bed or to plant in a group. Compact, bushy, 1-1½ ft. B10, GE8, F2. **£2.95**
Pictured on p. 28

SCOTTISH SPECIAL (*Cockapple*) Patio (*Cocker, Scot. 1987*)

Pretty shades of apple blossom pink, with peach tints. Makes a low 'cushion' plant, continuing to flower freely over many weeks; another fine addition to the burgeoning 'Patio' rose group. Rounded, 1½ ft. B8, GE9, F2. **£2.95**

SNOW CARPET (*Maccarpe*) Miniature (*McGredy, N.Z. 1980*)

White. A ground cover rose in minuscule, with tiny leaflets cramped into a cushion plant only a few inches high. Flowers dainty, full petalled. A real treasure for pot, very small site or to surprise your friends. Creeping, 1ft. B8, GE10, F1. Grown also as a Standard, see p. 5 **£2.50**

STARGAZER Dwarf (*Harkness, Eng. 1977*)

Orange red to carmine flowers; at their centres yellow eyes in starry form look up at you giving a unique effect to this little beauty. 1¼ ft. B10, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

1987 Rose of the Year

SWEET MAGIC (*Dicmagic*) (*Dickson, N.I. 1987*)

This is a most delightful rose in a rare colour, basically orange with golden tints, and pink flushes in the old flowers. The blooms are small and well formed, opening wide from the petite H.T. bud stage. Leaves, stems and flowers are all of a scale, making this like a replica of the larger *Floribundas*. This rose was voted Rose of the Year for 1987 (tying with *Royal William*) and also won a TGC at St. Albans. It is so pretty that it is sure to be widely planted in the years to come. Order in good time to be sure of it, as demand may exceed availability in its first season. Neat, bushy, 1½ ft. B10, GE10, F4. **£2.95**

Dwarf & Patio Roses

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THE FAIRY Patio

(Bentall, Eng. 1932)

Rose pink. Dainty flower sprays come from July to late Autumn, each with many perfect rosettes. One of the easiest and most rewarding roses to grow, wherever you want a 'cushiony' plant; super as a hedge, to group in a border, as a plant by itself; a treasure for cutting. Pretty even when not blooming, since the leaves are petite, polished and plentiful. Bushy, 1½–2ft. Plant 1¼ft. apart. B10, GE10, F2. £1.95 In the Patio Collection on p.3

WEE JOCK (Cocabest) Patio

(Cocker, Scot. 1980)

Makes a rounded cushiony plant with deep crimson flowers like small scale H. Teas. Splendid for low hedge, edging, patio, tub, and a plentiful source of buttonholes. Bushy, leafy, 1½ft. B8, GE9, F1. £1.95

YESTERDAY Patio

(Harkness, Eng. 1974)

Sprays of small flowers, lilac pink to rosy violet, on bushy leafy spreading plants. A most unusual and charming rose which makes a pretty hedge, and can be grouped in mixed borders, used as a patio rose, by a pond and wherever an informal and interesting garden item is required. Growth bushy with some spiky shoots you can trim off or allow to arch over, so extent 2½ft – 4ft. according to treatment. Plant 2ft. apart. B10, GE9, F5 £1.95

YVONNE RABIER Dwarf Polyantha (Turbat, France, 1910)

Rare old white. Petite flowers like H.T.'s in miniature on a leafy rounded bush, delightful, shiny foliage. For patio, low hedge, bed. Bushy, 1½ft. B9, GE10, F4. £2.95



SAVE THE CHILDREN (Hartred) has a jewel-like quality – rich red blooms against crisp, dark foliage.

Miniature Roses

Harkness



BABY MASQUERADE This tough little Miniature plant is over 20 years old. It is available also as a Standard—see this page and p.5

How we describe the Roses is explained on p.8.

ANGELA RIPPON (Ocaru)

(De Ruiter, Holl. 1978)

Rosy coral pink. Full of petals, colourful. Excellent plant, substantial for a Miniature, for all purposes and to show. Bushy, leafy, 1½ft. B9, GE9, F3. £1.95

BABY FAURAX, violet, see p. 25

BABY GOLD STAR

(Dot, Spain, 1940)

Bright yellow. Full petalled sizeable flowers, rather open growth. Upright, 1ft. + . B8, GE7, F2. £1.75

BABY MASQUERADE

(Tantau, Ger. 1956)

Yellow to pinky red. Deservedly a great favourite for all purposes, very free and leafy. An easy grower. Bushy, 1ft. + . B8, GE10, F2. £1.75

Pictured on p. 28. Grown also as a Standard, see p.5

COLIBRI'79 (Meidanover)

(Meilland, France, 1979)

Golden apricot with reddish pink. Handsome neat plant, everything in scale, good for all purposes. 1ft. + . B10, GE9, F2. Grown also as a Standard, see p.5 £1.95

DARLING FLAME

(Meilland, France, 1971)

Vermilion with a hint of yellow. Sizeable flowers, well filled, on upright sturdy plants. Outstandingly bright in the garden. Good to cut and show. 1¼ft. B9, GE7, F1. £1.95

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see p.46.

FIRE PRINCESS

(Moore, USA. 1969)

Fiery scarlet, a rich shade but without hardness. One of the most popular Miniatures to cut and show. Upright growth, 1½ ft. B10, GE7, F2. **£1.95**

GOLDEN ANGEL

(Moore, USA. 1975)

The pretty yellow flowers are crammed with maybe 70 petals. Bushy, compact growth, 1¼ ft. B8, GE7, F3. **£1.75**

HOLLIE ROFFEY (Harramin)

(Harkness, Eng. 1986)

Rose pink, a warm even shade. Bears dainty rosettes, little more than 1in. across, closely packed with up to 60 petals. They open to show a pretty array of petal tips, and their long lasting quality makes this a useful source of flower for petite arrangements. Compact, 1ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£2.50**

HULA GIRL

(E.D. Williams, USA. 1975)

Light salmon orange. Flowers are full of petals and large for a miniature. Bushy, Upright, 1½ ft. B9, GE7, F2. **£1.75**

JANICE TELLIAN

(Moore, USA. 1979)

Light pink to coral. Full petalled, rounded form with high centres. Compact, 1ft. B10, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

LAVENDER JEWEL

(Moore, USA. 1978)

Lavender—mauve to pink; prettily formed flowers of about 40 petals on bushy rather lax plants. Good show and garden rose. 1¼ ft. B9, GE8, F2. **£1.95**

LEMON DELIGHT

(Moore, USA. 1978)

A curious 'Moss Rose Miniature' for those who like to see something different. Well mossed buds open into semi double light yellow flowers on bristly stems. Growth may be uneven. 1½ ft. B8, GE7, F2. **£1.95**

LITTLE ARTIST (Macmanly)

(McGredy, N.Z. 1986)

Crimson splashed with white. Bred from the line of 'Painted Roses', bringing a delightful novelty colour into miniature roses. Free flowering, with low spreading habit. 1½ ft. B9, GE10, F1. **£2.95**

MAGIC CAROUSEL

(Moore, USA. 1972)

A festive combination of light yellow with red. The flowers are of roundelay form and are much favoured by exhibitors. Bushy, 1½ ft. B9, GE8 F2. **£1.95**

ORANGE SUNBLAZE (Meijikatar) (Meilland, France, 1981)

Dazzling orange scarlet. Sizeable flowers, long lasting. Bushy, 1¼ ft. B10, GE8, F1. **£1.95**



HOLLIE ROFFEY (Harramin) is what you expect of a true Miniature – stems, leaves, petals all reduced in scale.

PERLA DE ALCANADA

(Dot, Spain, 1944)

Dark carmine to crimson. Small, double flowers very freely produced all season. Enduring plant. Bushy, 1ft. B7, GE9, F1. **£1.75**

POUR TOI

(Dot, Spain, 1946)

Creamy white. Delightful for showing and all other purposes. Dark leaves are good background to the pale flowers; everything is to scale. Neat, bushy, 1¼ ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£1.75**

RISE'N SHINE

(Moore USA, 1977)

Yellow, flowers well filled and prettily shaped. This is a popular rose to cut and show. 1¼ ft. B10, GE9, F2. **£1.75**

SHERI ANNE

(Moore, USA, 1973)

An orange red variety with good plant qualities. Dainty flowers, shiny leaflets and fragrance. Much fancied by exhibitors. 1½ ft. B10, GE10, F4. **£1.75**

SNOWBALL (Macangeli) Miniature (McGredy, NZ. 1984)

This creeping grower gives the effect of a dinner plate adorned with fluffy white rosettes against green garnishing. Plant where it will catch the eye and surprise your friends. 6–8in. tall, 15in. across. B10, GE10, F2. **£2.50**
Grown also as a standard, see p.5.

STACEY SUE

(Moore, USA. 1976)

Rose pink. Pretty rosettes, another lovely plant with leaf and flower in the right proportions, and neat habit. Good for showing. Bushy, 1¼ ft. B10, GE10, F2. **£1.75**
Grown also as a standard, see p.5.

STARINA

(Meilland, France, 1965)

Orange red, lighter reverse. Flowers are like small H. Teas, excellent to cut and show, and in a pot. Plants attractive, bushy, 1¼ ft. B9, GE10, F2. **£1.75**

TOY CLOWN

(Moore, USA. 1966)

White edged carmine. Has novelty value, very pretty young flowers. Upright, 1ft. B8, GE7, F2. **£1.95**

See General Notes on p.8 about our ratings for beauty of Flower or Truss (**B**), General Effect (**GE**) and Fragrance (**F**).

WHAT IS A SHRUB ROSE?

Briefly, it is a rose differing in such a way from the other rose classes (Bushes, Climbers, and Miniatures) that it cannot conveniently be grouped with them. So Shrub Roses are a fascinating miscellany of wild species, ancient garden roses of East and West, plus many hybrids of diverse character evolved within the past 200 years.

Shrub Roses are easy to grow, and no rose garden is complete without a few of them.

HOW TO USE SHRUB ROSES

The descriptions tell you how each variety can suitably be used, viz:

G(Group)—means a suitable variety to grow in a group—3 or 5 plants are good numbers for this purpose.

H(Hedge)—means good to plant as a hedge of one variety.

I (Individual)—means the Shrub Rose looks well as an individual plant to stand by itself—in a border, or a bed set in grass for example.

S (Spreader)—means a variety that spreads out wide, and is useful for ground cover.

Varieties marked 'S' in the margin will not usually produce Autumn foliage.

Planting distance is 3ft. apart except where stated.

ROSES FOR GROUND COVER

These have dense habits of growth with plenty of leaves. You need to hoe in Spring, after that they will suppress most weeds for the rest of the year. The dimensions are for established plants, height x width, in feet.

Anna Zinkeisen 4x4 p.30	Nozomi 1½x3½ p.27
Ballerina 4x4 p.30	Pearl Drift 2½x3½ p.32
Bonica 2½x3½ p.30	Pheasant 1½x10 p.33
Buff Beauty 4x4 p.31	Red Blanket 2½x4 p.33
Cardinal Hume 3x4 p.31	Robin Redbreast 2x3 p.27
Fairyland 2½x4 p.31	Roseaie de l'Hay 6x6 p.33
Fairy Prince 2½x4 p.31	Rosy Cushion 2½x4 p.33
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ANNA ZINKEISEN— a modern Shrub rose with old-style grace, flowering through summer and autumn.

ANNA ZINKEISEN Modern Hybrid (Harkness, Eng. 1983)
White gold to gold ivory. Many short petals, small to medium size flowers in clusters, set against solid leafy background. Hybrid Scotch origin provides the pervasive musk fragrance. A rose of distinction. Awarded Diploma, Copenhagen, 1982 and Trial Ground Certificate, 1983. Uses GH1. Bushy, 4ft. B9, GE10, F5. **£3.50**

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S AUSTRIAN COPPER (Foetida bicolor) (Asia Minor? ancient)
Mysterious origin, but vivid presence, being bright nasturtium orange with yellow reverse. The 5-petalled flowers come freely in May/June, giving 'a blaze like one of Turner's sunsets'. Uses: G1. Branching, 4½ ft. B10, GE6, F1. **£3.50**

BALLERINA Modern Hybrid (Bentall, Eng. 1937)
Hydrangea—like heads crammed with tiny single light pink flowers. Superb garden plant, full of leaf and colour. Goes well in mixed flower borders and with Marjorie Fair Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 4ft. B8, GE10, F2. **£2.95**

BLANC DOUBLE DE COUBERT Rugosa (Cochet-Cochet, France 1892)
Papery white. Flowers open wide, semi-double, good scent. Tough Rugosa foliage, fairly dense. Popular. Uses: GHIS. 3½ ft. B9, GE8, F6. **£2.95**

S BLANCHE MOREAU Moss Rose (Moreau-Robert, France, 1880)

White, one of the best Moss Roses with large full blooms, whose pure colour stands out perfectly against the brownish, rather bristly moss. Uses: GH1. 4ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.95**

BONICA (Meidomonac) Ground cover (Meillard, France, 1984)
This Modern Hybrid bears many cupped rather loose flowers in a cheerful shade of rose pink. Excellent where an attractive low spreading plant is wanted to cover the ground. Repeats well. Uses: GIS. Height 2½ ft. spreads 3½ ft. B8, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

BUFF BEAUTY Hybrid Musk (Ann Bentall, Eng. 1939)
Apricot to yellow. Beautiful in color and form, the blooms being substantial, with circular outline and muddled centres. Glossy dark leaves. Uses: GHIS. 4ft. B9, GE9, F5. £2.95

CANARY BIRD Xanthina hybrid (Britain via China, after 1907)
Yellow flowers along the branches sway them down in arches of beauty. One of the best Shrub Roses, can get enormous. Makes a lovely floral decoration. Dainty, ferny leaves. Uses: GHI. dense. 7ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B10, GE10, F4. £3.50

CARDINAL HUME (Harregale) (Harkness, Eng. 1984)
Striking tyrian purple, very dark and bright in the young stages. Medium size flowers with many narrow petals come in clusters. They are held close to the plant on short stems, seeming to nestle against the leaves. Pleasant musky fragrance. Leaves pointed, mid to dark green, and plentiful. Growth bushy, low and spreading. Several lilac roses, Scotch roses and R. Californica are in the ancestry of this fascinating and unusual rose, which reminds us—in colour—of the old Cardinal Richelieu. Uses: GHIS. Spreading, 3ft. B9, GE10, F4. £3.50
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COMMON MOSS Moss Rose (? France, c 1700)
Warm rose pink, packed with petals, rich scent. Splendidly mossed. Floppy plant, a light support helps. Uses: GI. Branching, 4ft. B10, GE6, F7. £2.95

CONSTANCE SPRY Gallica Hybrid (Austin, Eng. 1961)
Rose pink. Full globular 'old-fashioned' blooms. They—and indeed the plant—are substantial and pleasing. Uses: GI. Arching, 4ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE7, F5. £2.95

CORNELIA Hybrid Musk (Pemberton, Eng. 1925)
Pink, hint of apricot. Flowers small in pretty sprays. Enduring plant, grows dense and wide. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 4ft. Plant 3½ ft. apart. B8, GE9, F4. £2.95

EMPRESS JOSEPHINE (Francofurtana) Gallica (Europe, before 1583?)
Bright pink, veined deeper, waved petals. Bushy wide plant. 3ft. Uses: GHI. B9, GE7, F4. £2.95

EUPHRATES (Harunique) (Harkness, Eng. 1986)
Remarkable hybrid of R. persica, bearing 5-petalled flowers of reddish salmon, with a prominent scarlet 'eye-patch' at the base of each petal. Flowers freely in sizeable clusters on low spreading plants over several weeks of summer. The leaflets show variation in shape which is a feature of the curious R. persica hybrids, Euphrates gives good garden value as well as fascination for its botanical oddity. Bushy, 2ft. Uses: GI. B10, GE9, F1. Pictured p. 31 £15.00

FAIRYLAND (Harlayalong) Polyantha (Harkness, Eng. 1980)
Liberal provider of light pink rosettes in dainty sprays. A delightful plant for the front of a mixed border, as it produces colour and interest for many weeks, and the graceful spreading habit has an informality few roses share. Small shiny leaflets. Uses: GIS, also near rockeries, pools, patios, etc. where space permits. Spreading, 2½ ft. B10, GE10, F4. £2.95



EUPHRATES (Harunique) This rarity is bred from R. Persica x Fairy Changeling.

FAIRY PRINCE Polyantha (Harkness, Eng. 1981)
Geranium lake. Rosette blooms held close together giving mass colour effect. Vigorous grower, prostrate habit. Shiny leaves, Uses: GS. Spreading, 2½ ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B7, GE8, F2. £2.95

FANTIN-LATOUR Centifolia (?France—origin unknown)
Warm rose pink. Full petalled, lovely circular cupped shape. Sturdy grower. Uses: GHI. Bushy, 4ft. B10, GE8, F7. £2.95

FEDTSCHENKOANA (Wild rose, Turkestan)
This is the 'Ghost Rose', bearing spectral white flowers against ashen grey-green leaves. A good garden talking point for the shrubbery, but give it space. Vigorous, arching, 6ft. Uses: GHI. B10, GE10, F4. £3.50

FELICIA Hybrid Musk (Pemberton, Eng. 1928)
Light pink, hint of apricot. Flowers medium size, full in generous clusters. Handsome vigorous leafy plant. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 4ft. B10, GE9, F5. £2.95

FRU DAGMAR HASTRUP Rugosa (Hastrup, Denmark? c.1914)
Shell pink, big single blooms, sideways growth, superb red hips. Splendid garden value where space is limited. Uses: GIS. Bushy, 2½ ft. Plant 2½ ft apart. B8, GE10, F5. £2.95

FRITZ NOBIS Modern Hybrid (Kordes, Ger. 1940)
Pink, double. Robust, outstanding shrub, every petal, leaf and flower in place. Uses: GHI. Bushy, 5ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B10, GE10, F4. £2.95

FRUHLINGSGOLD Modern Hybrid (Kordes, Ger. 1937)
Creamy yellow, wide single blooms, spectacular in May/June. Look out for the pretty reddish young basal shoots. Uses: GHI. Tree-like, 7ft. Plant 6ft. apart. B8, GE9, F5. £2.95

FRUHLINGSMORGEN Modern Hybrid (Kordes, Ger. 1941)
Single flowers of beauty, pink with primrose centre, dark stamens in May/June. Uses: GI. Open, branching, 5ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B9, GE7, F4. £2.95

GALLICA OFFICINALIS (Apothecary's Rose/Red Rose of Lancaster) Gallica (Europe, W. Asia, ancient)
Pinky red. Double flowers open out flat. Neat plant, a living link with ancient gardens. Uses: GHI. 3ft. Plant 2½ ft. apart. B9, GE8, F4. £2.95



GALLICA VERSICOLOR (or *Rosa Mundi*), one of the most delightful Old Garden Roses.

S *GALLICA VERSICOLOR* (*Rosa Mundi*)

(Europe, 17th Century)

Blush, splashed and striped pinky red, bizarre and beautiful. Growth neat, fairly compact. Deserves a place in every garden, useful to cut. Uses: GHI. 3ft. Plant 2½ ft. apart. B10, GE8, F4. Pictured p. 32. **£2.95**

GOLDEN WINGS Modern Hybrid (*Shepherd, USA, 1956*)

Primrose yellow, large 5-petalled flowers of great beauty. Uses: GHI. Bushy, 3½ ft. B9, GE7, F4. **£2.95**

GRAHAM THOMAS (*Ausmas*) (Austin, Eng. 1983)

Yellow, a welcome colour among the shrub roses. Flowers are full, cupped and with pleasant 'Tea' fragrance. Spreading, 4ft. Uses: GIS. B10, GE8, F4. **£3.50**
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GROUSE (*Korimro*) (Kordes, Ger. 1984)

Lovely ground covering rose with scores of scented open flowers strewn along the branches. They are pale pink, well set off by plentiful glossy foliage. Uses: GS—good to mask a gentle slope, it spreads 10ft. wide. B10, GE10, F6. **£2.95**

HARVEST HOME *Rugosa* (Rock, Eng. 1983)

Mauvish pink flowers followed by beautiful tomato-like hips. Free blooming, spreading habit. Uses: GHIS. 3ft. B7(Flower) B10(Hips), GE9, F6. **£2.95**

3 *HELEN KNIGHT* (Knight, Eng. 1970)

Scores of yellow 5-petalled flowers, bright against reddish wood and ferny foliage, wreath the branches in May/June, when it is spectacular. Upright, arching, 8–10ft. Uses: GI. B10, GE10, F4. Plant 5ft. apart. **£3.50**

JACQUES CARTIER Portland (*Moreau—Robert, France, 1868*)

Rose pink. The cupped flowers are incomparably lovely at their best, with more petals than you imagine any rose could hold. Autumn flowering is unpredictable. Bushy, fairly compact, 4ft. Uses: GI. B10, GE7, F4. **£2.95**

S *JAMES MASON* *Gallica* Hybrid (Beales, Eng. 1983)

Produces wide-opening crimson flowers with golden anthers, lovely when sun lights up the blooms. Uses: GHI. Hefty plant, 5ft. wide, 4ft. high, plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE7, F3. **£3.50**

S *LADY PENZANCE* Sweet Brier (*Penzance, Eng. 1894*)

Fawn pink and yellow, the wild type flowers are fleeting, the apple scented leaves cast their fragrance over many months. Uses: GHI. Bushy, thorny, 5ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B7, GE7, F3. (flowers) – F10 (leaves!) **£2.95**

S *MAIDENS BLUSH* Alba (*Europe, before 1738*)

Pale pink. Fine old cottage garden rose with medium-sized cupped flowers. Handsome tall plant with noticeable grey-green foliage. Uses: GI. Bushy, 6ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE10, F6. **£2.95**

MARGUERITE HILLING Modern Hybrid (*Hilling, Eng. 1959*)

Pink, sport of the spectacular *Nevada* which it resembles save in colour. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, strong, 6ft. Plant 4½ ft. apart. B8, GE9, F4. **£2.95**

MARJORIE FAIR Modern Hybrid (*Harkness, Eng. 1978*)

Bright carmine red, white eye. Flowers in massive trusses, most showy and eye-catching. This is the red counterpart of *Ballerina*, from which it is bred. Holds 5 premier international awards, a remarkable feat for a Shrub rose. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 4ft. B8, GE10, F2. **£2.95**

S *MME. HARDY* Damask (*Hardy, France, 1832*)

White, breathtakingly lovely, large cupped blooms which look to have 100 petals. A 'must' for lovers of the Old Garden Roses. Uses: GI. Upright, 5ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE8, F7. **£2.95**

MME. ISAAC PEREIRE Bourbon (*Garcon, France, 1881*)

Deep pink tinged to purple. Big wide confused flowers, needs some kind of support. Uses: GI. Branching. 7ft. B8, GE8, F6. **£2.95**

MME. PIERRE OGER Bourbon (*Oger, France, 1878*)

Creamy blush with pink reverse. Full petalled bowl-shaped blooms of haunting delicacy at their best. Best grown on light support. Uses: GI. Upright, 5ft. B9, GE6, F5. **£2.95**

S *MOYESII GERANIUM* Moyesii Seedling (*RHS, Eng. 1938*)

Grown for the splendid long red hips in Autumn. Flowers are red, single, in early summer. Uses: GI. Arching, 7ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B8(flower) B10(Hips), GE8, F1. **£3.50**

NEVADA Modern Hybrid (*Dot, Spain, 1927*)

Creamy white flowers festooned along the branches make this an annual treat in early Summer. You wonder any plant can carry so much bloom. Autumn flower sporadic. Big grower, give it space. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 6ft. Plant 4½ ft. apart. B10, GE10, F4. **£2.95**

PEARL DRIFT (*Leggab*) (*Le Grice, Eng. 1980*)

Pretty blush medium sized blooms on low wide plant. Attractive looking. Bred from *Mermaid* x *New Dawn*. Uses: GIS. Bushy, 2½ ft. B10, GE8, F4. **£2.95**

PENELOPE Hybrid Musk (*Pemberton, Eng. 1924*)

Light pearly pink, big well spaced sprays, nice to cut. The most popular of the hybrid musks by reason of its freedom of bloom, neat habit and clean dark foliage. Seedling of *Ophelia*. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 3ft. B10, GE10, F4. **£2.95**

PHEASANT (*Kordapt*) Ground cover (*Kordes, Ger. 1986*)

Excellent if you want to cover slopes, trail over walls etc. Deepish rose pink double flowers come in big trusses. Sprawling, 10ft. wide. Uses: GS. B8, GE9, F4. **£2.95**



ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL (Harroffen) – old-style flowers, repeats its blooms like a modern rose.

- S R. PRIMULA** (Incense Rose) (Wild Rose, Asia)
Light yellow. May flowering species, flower – wreathed stems cascading down; simple and beautiful. Uses: G1. Lax, 5ft. B10, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

- RED BLANKET** (Interall) (Ilsink, Holl. 1979)
Bold shade of medium red. Busies itself producing semi-double flowers of medium size in clusters all over the plant; sideways growth, clean foliage, splendid overall effect. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 2½ ft. B8, GE10, F2. *In the Shrub Rose Collection on p. 3* **£2.95**

- REINE VICTORIA** Bourbon (Schwartz, France 1872)
Rich rose pink, a fragrant old favourite with full cupped flowers. Slender, upright growth to 6ft. Uses: G1 or train on pillar or low fence. B10, GE7, F7. **£2.95**

- ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL** (Harroffen) (Harkness, Eng. 1987)
Rose red to pink, a warm and kindly shade. The flowers have many petals, arrayed layer upon layer, opening flat to display the petal edges after the manner of some Old Garden Roses; and reminiscent of the rose depicted on Dean Hole's monument in the Cathedral. They are pretty to cut, especially for mixed flower arrangements, and have a pleasant fragrance. Foliage is abundant, mid to dark green, and the spreading growth creates a dense rounded plant, ideal for borders, beds or an informal hedge; or to plant by itself. Reynolds Hole founded the National Rose Society. In 1887, the year he was appointed Dean of Rochester, he warmly congratulated Robert & John Harkness on winning the Society's Championship for the first time. 100 years later, we are delighted to be able to return the compliment and name a specimen of the flower he loved for the Cathedral he served. Uses: GHIS. Spreading, 3½ ft. B10, GE9, F4. **£5.00**

Note: By arrangement with the authorities, a proportion of the proceeds of sales will be donated to the Cathedral Fabric Fund.

- ROSERAIE DE L'HAY** Rug. (Cochet-Cochet, France, 1902)

Outrageous purple. Sizeable crumpled fragrant flowers against a screen of handsome wrinkled leaves. Easy to grow. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 6ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE10, F7. **£2.95**

- ROSY CUSHION** (Interall) (Ilsink, Holl. 1979)
Pink with ivory heart, in growth resembles *Red Blanket*, for which it makes a good companion. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 3ft. B8, GE9, F5. **£2.95**

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- S R. RUBRIFOLIA** Species (Wild Rose, S.E. Europe)
Unique foliage is the reason for having this beauty in your garden. The leaves are purplish red, on smooth stems. Bunches of hips look decorative too, for which we have to thank the fleeting deep pink flowers of June. Trouble free. Uses: GHI. Branching, 6ft. B5 (flower) B10 (foliage) B7 (hips), GE10, F1. **£3.50**

- SAGA** Modern Hybrid (Harkness, Eng. 1974)
White, some pretty buff tints. Like a short version of *Nevada*, it crams itself with flower in July. Makes you want to stop and take a photo. Good late flower too. Dark leaves clothe it to the ground. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 3½ ft. B10, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

- SALLY HOLMES** Modern Hybrid (Holmes, Eng. 1976)
Creamy white. Spiky grower, raises its densely packed flower heads aloft on tall shoots. On its day, unforgettable. Uses: GHI. Upright, 4ft. B8, GE8 F4. **£2.95**

- SCABROSA** Rugosa (Int. Harkness, Eng. 1950)
Single wide mauve flowers, with dusty yellow stamens in stunning contrast. Famous for the large tomato-like hips. A beautiful shrub, with good continuity of bloom. Uses: GHIS. Bushy, 5ft. Plant 4ft. apart. B10, GE10, F5. **£2.95**

- THISBE** Hybrid Musk (Pemberton, Eng. 1916)
Chamois yellow. Plump buds, opening to loose rosettes, charming. Delightful musky scent. Uses: GHI. Bushy, 3ft. B7, GE8, F6. **£2.95**

- S TIGRIS** (Harprier) R. persica hyb. (Harkness, Eng. 1985)
Canary yellow with red eye. We believe this to be first hardy hybrid of *Rosa persica* introduced in commerce. Imagine a low spreading thornbush decorated with rosettes an inch across in the shape of powder puffs, and you will have some idea of this curious rose. The colour effect of the scarlet markings on the fresh yellow petals is particularly appealing. 1½ ft., 2ft. wide. B10, GE7, F2. **£15.00**

- S TUSCANY SUPERB** Gallica (?Italy, 18th Century?)
Deepest crimson purple, especially fine in young flowers. Europe had no 'true' red roses before about 1800 – this one was probably the nearest you could obtain. Uses: G1. Upright, 3½ ft. B9, GE7, F3. **£2.95**

- S WOODSII FENDLERI** Species (Wild Rose, N. America)
Pink flowers wreath the arching stems in summer, rich red hips give bright display in Autumn. Uses: G1. Spreading, 3ft. B8 (flower), B10 (hips), GE8, F3. **£3.50**

- S XANTHINA** Species (Wild Rose, China & Korea)
Beautiful 1½ in. yellow blooms full of petals in May/June on dainty-leaved handsome spreading plants. Uses: GIS. Dense, 7ft. Plant 5ft. apart. B10, GE10, F4. **£3.50**

Climbing & Rambling Roses

Harkness

Some roses extend their growth a long way, up to as much as 40 feet. Almost any rose capable of being trained sideways or upwards for 7ft. or more is effectively a Climbing plant. It will adorn all kinds of structures and you can raise your eyes to enjoy its beauty.

It is very important to choose the right rose for the right place. Climbers and Ramblers can be used as follows:

Fences (they need to be solid and take weight and windstrain). Varieties up to 10ft. extent are suitable.

Walls Most varieties can be used, but don't put a 12ft. plant on a 6ft. wall! South to West walls are best; South and East walls may be dry, so give young plants plenty of water the first year or two. For North-west to North-east walls, try *Alberic Barbier*, *Danse des Sylphes*, *Morning Jewel*.

Pillars (must be stout), for flexible and/or short leafy growers.

Arches Best to use pendulous Ramblers.

Tree Scramblers Can give spectacular effects, choose according to the height of the tree or stump.

Rampagers Our 1896 list offered 'Fast-growing Climbers, suitable for rambling over old ruins'—not a common problem in most gardens today! But rampant sorts like *Albertine* will cover almost any garden feature, natural or artificial, e.g. pergolas, outbuildings, tripods, eyesores.

Uses: (See above). We code as **F** (Fence), **W** (Wall), **P** (Pillar), **A** (Arch), **T** (Tree Scramblers) and **R** (Rampageous growers).

All varieties normally give Autumn flower except those marked 'S' in the margin.

The dimensions we give in feet are the extent you can expect established plants to reach in normal conditions.

Planting Distance: 5-6ft. apart for most Climbers, 6-8ft. for bigger growers.

TRAINING CLIMBING ROSES ON WALLS, FENCES etc.

Do not worry if your climbers are not in flower in the first year. You want them to make growth to start with, once they have done that they get into their flowering stride.

Don't be tempted to train the main shoots straight up to gain height quickly. It is far better to bend them sideways or slantwise (do this in Autumn while they are supple). This way, you will obtain good coverage and avoid the bare bottom look, and the stems will produce more flower.

Correct pruning is important, but differs according to the variety; ask us if you are in doubt, giving the name of the rose in question.



BREATH OF LIFE – a rare and beautiful colour, lovely for cutting; in the Climbing Collection on p. 3

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For Extra Value we offer our CLIMBING COLLECTION—see p.3

S ALBERIC BARBIER (Barbier, France, 1900)

Yellow buds open creamy white. Medium sized, many petals. Superb near—evergreen dark foliage. Looks frail, lives for ever. Uses: FPATR. 15ft. B7, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

S ALBERTINE (Barbier, France, 1921)

Light salmon pink, seen everywhere in June/July. Medium size, fragrant. Plum red wood, vicious thorns—prune with caution. Some seasonal mildew. Uses: FPATR. 15ft. B10, GE9, F5. **£2.95**

ALOHA (Boerner U.S.A. 1949)

Rose and salmon pink, large H.T. blooms, many petals, restrained grower. Uses: FWP. Can also be pruned back and grown as Shrub. 8ft. B9, GE8, F4. **£2.95**

ALTISSIMO (Delbard-Chabert, France, 1966)

Bright red 7 petalled flowers in clusters; may not sound exciting but this is a garden rose of outstanding quality and beauty. Uses: FWP. 12ft. B10, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

S BLUSH RAMBLER (B.R.Cant, Eng. 1903)

Huge pink clusters, like apple blossom, spectacular in July. Rescued from a cottage garden in Old Warden, Beds. Uses: FWPATR. 12ft. B8, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

BREATH OF LIFE (*Harquanne*) (*Harkness, Eng. 1982*)

Breathtaking colour, apricot to apricot pink. Large full H.T. flowers. Lovely to cut as the blooms remain beautiful at every stage. Prize winner in Munich, Tokyo & New Zealand. Named for the Royal College of Midwives, who chose the name—the Breath of Life signifying both the Creator Spirit in Genesis, and our own first vital act as babies when we come into the world. Uses: FWP. May be trimmed and grown as Shrub. 7ft. B10, GE7, F4. Pictured p. 34
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£3.50

CLG. ALEC'S RED (*Robt. Harkness, Eng. 1975*)

Rich cherry red, large, fragrant flowers. Uses: FW. 7ft. B9, GE8, F9.

£2.95

CLG. CECILE BRUNNER (*Hosp. U.S.A. 1894*)

Tiny pink roses, a source of buds for personal and home-decoration in summer and autumn. Uses: FWPTR. 10—15ft. B10, GE9, F2.

£3.50

CLG. ELIZABETH HARKNESS (*Harkness, Eng. 1975*)

Ivory to blush, large H.T. bloom. Strong stiff growth. Uses: FW. 10ft. B9, GE8, F4. Pictured p. 35

£2.95

CLG. ENA HARKNESS (*R. Murrell, Eng. 1954*)

Crimson scarlet. Flowers of H.T. size, lovely shape and fragrance. *Ena's* 'weak neck' is an asset in this Climbing form. Uses: FW. 8ft. B10, GE7, F6.

£2.95

CLG. ETOILE DE HOLLANDE (*Leenders, Holl. 1931*)

Dark crimson old favourite. Urn shaped buds open into beautifully fragrant H.T. flowers. Needs lots of space. Uses: WR. 12ft. +. B9, GE8, F8.

£2.95



CLG. ELIZABETH HARKNESS – available both as a Bush and as a Climbing Rose. Flowers have consistently high quality – and fragrance.



COMPASSION, fragrant, shapely, popular.

CLG. ICEBERG (*B.R. Cant, Eng. 1968*)

White, occasionally touched pink. Remarkably effective with a wealth of large flower clusters in summer, some later. Uses: WFP. 12ft. B10, GE10, F2.

£2.95

CLG. MASQUERADE (*Dillon, Eng. 1958*)

Yellow to pinky red. Colourful flowers sprays, flower small to medium. Strong leafy grower. Autumn flower unpredictable. Uses: FWPR. 10ft. B8, GE8, F2.

£2.95

S CLG. SUTTER'S GOLD (*Weeks, U.S.A. 1950*)

Yellow, with pink veining. Tall H.T. buds, loose flowers, very free early bloomer. Good to look at, cut and smell. Uses: WF. 12ft. B9, GE8, F7.

£2.95

COMPASSION (*Harkness, Eng. 1973*)

Salmon pink with apricot orange. Flowers are of good size and H.T. type, with sweet fragrance. Rather stiff growth, bushes out well. Leaves large, plentiful. Stock records show this is the most popular Climber with our customers. International juries have given it 3 special prizes, 3 Gold Medals, the Edland Fragrance Medal and 3 other awards in past years. If you only want one Climber, this is it. Uses: FWPT. 10ft. Can also be pruned back and grown as shrub. B10, GE10, F7. Pictured above. In the Climbing Collection on p. 3

£2.95

S CRIMSON SHOWER (*Norman, Eng. 1951*)

Crimson. Many small rosettes in clusters. Important for the extraordinary flowering period — late July to early September. Pendulous stems hide beneath a multitude of tiny polished leaflets. Uses: PA. 8ft. B8, GE9, F2.

£2.95

Also makes a fine Weeping Standard, see p. 4

DANSE DES SYLPHES (*Mallerin, France, 1959*)

Clear light red. Flowers small to medium in clusters. Good foliage, tough grower. Uses: FW. 12ft. B7, GE8, F1.

£2.95

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HIGHFIELD (Harcomp) — sport of **COMPASSION** with delightful fragrance.

DANSE DU FEU (Mallerin, France, 1954)
Orange scarlet, darkening with age. Very popular as it grows readily and the medium sized flowers are shapely and freely borne. Uses: FWP. 8ft. B8, GE9, F1. £2.95

DUBLIN BAY (McGredy, N.I. 1976)
Rich blood red, superb colour, medium sized flowers, abundant glossy leaves. Uses: WFP. 7ft. May be trimmed and grown as Shrub. B10, GE8, F2. £2.95

S EMILY GRAY (Williams, Eng. 1918)
Deep golden buff. A great rose, loved for the contrast of tight cheerful flowers against a screen of dark glossy leaves. Prune lightly if at all. Uses: FWP. 8ft. B10, GE9, F3. £2.95

S FELICITE PERPETUE (Jacques, France, 1827)
Blush white. Dainty rosettes, full of petals, in clusters. Great charm and character. Produces long slender shoots. Prune lightly. Uses: FWTR. 15ft. B9, GE8, F3. £2.95

S FRANCOIS JURANVILLE (Barbier, France, 1906)
Rose pink, rosettes of fair size make a fine spectacle in June/July. Flexible stems, very leafy. Uses: PATR. 15ft. +. B10, GE10, F4. £2.95
Offered also as a Weeping Std., p. 4

GLOIRE DE DIJON (Jacotot, France, 1856)
Buff yellow, paling. Old Noisette rose with big flowers, petals going all ways, delightful at its best. Tea fragrance. Uses: FW 10ft. B6—10, GE7, F4. £3.50

GOLDEN SHOWERS (Lammerts, U.S.A. 1957)
Bright to light yellow, the dependable yellow for Everyman, free - blooming, clean, easy. Obliging too, you may prune it as a Shrub or let it go halfway up the house. Uses: WFP. 7ft. +. B8, GE9, F4. £2.95

S GOLDFINCH (Paul, Eng. 1907)
Scores of yolk—yellow buds open to whitish rosette flowers. This beautiful old Rambler gives a lovely summertime display. Uses: FPTAR. 10ft. B10, GE10, F3. £3.50

S GUINEE (Mallerin, France, 1938)
Darkest red. At their best, the full H.T. flowers have a beautiful velvety sheen. Stiff grower. Uses: FW. 10ft. +. B6—10, GE7, F5. £2.95

HANDEL (McGredy, N.I. 1965)
Creamy blush, rimmed rosy red to pink, unusual and eye-catching. One of the best for its beauty of flower and long blooming period. Good to cut and show. Upright grower. Uses: FW. 12ft. B10, GE8, F4. £2.95

HIGHFIELD (Harcomp) (Harkness, Eng. 1981)
Light yellow, occasional peachy tints. Neat buds open to flowers of medium size, nicely scented. A sport of *Compassion*, whose excellent plant and foliage qualities it shares. Uses: FWP. 8ft. Can be pruned and grown as Shrub. B8, GE8, F6. Pictured p. 36. £2.95

S KIFTSGATE (E. Murrell, Eng. 1954)
Creamy white. 5 petals per rose, maybe 100 roses per cluster, scores of clusters per plant. The most extensively rampant garden rose, spectacular tree scrambler. Don't prune, let it romp. Uses: TR. 25ft. +. B10, GE10, F5. £2.95

MAIGOLD (Kordes, Ger. 1953)
Yellow with hint of bronze. Long buds, wide opening blooms, wealth of colour in June, incidental flowers later. Stiff growth, tough leaf, thorny. 10ft. Uses: WF. B9, GE9, F5. £2.95

S MAY QUEEN (W.A. Manda, U.S.A. 1898)
Rose pink, quartered old fashioned flowers very freely displayed against shiny neat foliage. A charmer, easy to train. Uses: FWPA. 12ft. B10, GE10, F4. £2.95

MEG (Gosset, Eng. 1954)
Pink with apricot. Long buds, open flowers, striking. Stiff growth, tough. Uses: FWTR. 12ft. B8, GE8, F4. £3.50

MERMAID (Paul, Eng. 1918)
Creamy yellow, amber stamens. 5 petals compose a flower of classic beauty. Flower, leaf, stem, thorn — all have distinctive character, and blooms keep appearing over many weeks. *Mermaid* has been described as 'awkward on land' because of its reluctance to get established; but worth the wait. Uses: FWR. 8—15ft. B10, GE10, F3. £3.50

S MME. GREGOIRE STAECHLIN (Spanish Beauty) (Dot, Spain, 1927)
Rosy carmine. Huge flowers with many petals appear in June in unbelievable profusion. Vigorous. Uses: FWTR. 15ft. +. B10, GE8, F6. £2.95

MORNING JEWEL (Cocker, Scot. 1968)
Bright pink flowers of medium size make sparkling contrast with shiny clean leaves. Spectacular on first blooming. The excellent health record of *Morning Jewel* makes it especially valuable for awkward wall sites. Deserves to be more widely known and grown. Uses: FWP. 8ft. B8, GE10, F4. £2.95

NEW DAWN

(Somerset, U.S.A. 1930)

Pearly blush. Many medium size flowers in clusters, delightful airy effect, sweet fragrance. Shiny green leaflets in profusion. Good to cut, easy to grow. Uses: FPATR. 5—10ft. Can be pruned to make a vigorous hedge. B8, GE10, F5. **£2.95**
Offered also as a Wpg. Std p.4

NIGHT LIGHT (Poullight)

(Poulsen, Den. 1987)

Deep yellow, fading orange red. Flowers are sizeable, fairly full, and show up effectively against dark glossy foliage. Uses: WF 7ft. B8, GE8, F5. **£3.50**

PHYLLIS BIDE

(Bide, Eng. 1923)

Subtle blend of fawn pink and yellow. Flowers small, dainty, in clusters. Plant frail looking but enduring. A rare item. Uses: FWP. 7ft. Can be trimmed to grow as Shrub. B9, GE7, F3. **£2.95**

PINK PERPETUE

(Gregory, Eng. 1965)

Rose pink, carmine reverse. Medium size, full flowers, well, displayed in trusses; repeats well in autumn. Withstands bad weather. Uses: FWP. 8ft. B8, GE10, F3. **£2.95**

S RAMBLING RECTOR Multiflora

(Unknown origin)

Creamy to white semi double flowers, in big clusters. Rampant and spectacular; 'impenetrable, un-prunable, overpowering' to quote Graham Thomas. Will scramble over hedges and into trees. 20ft. +. B8, GE10, F5. **£2.95**

ROSY MANTLE

(Cocker, Scot. 1968)

Rose pink, large, high pointed fragrant flowers of uniformly good quality. Excellent for cutting. Uses: FW. 8ft. B10, GE7, F6. **£2.95**

S SANDER'S WHITE

(Sander, Eng. 1912)

White, small rosettes cluster together on pendulous stems. Nice scent. Super bright leaflets. Uses: FPATR. 10ft. B10, GE10, F6. Offered in Weeping Standard form, p.4 **£2.95**



WEDDING DAY — an example of a rose for covering large structures or to scramble up trees; KIFTSGATE and RAMBLING RECTOR give a similar effect.



SCHOOLGIRL's flowers are top of the form.

SCHOOLGIRL

(McGredy, N.I. 1964)

Apricot to burnt orange, valuable for the unusual colour of the large flowers. Can become leggy, best to plant something in front. Uses: FW. 10ft. B10, GE7, F4. Pictured p.37 **£2.95**

SYMPATHIE

(Kordes, Ger. 1964)

Bright blood red, medium size flowers with high centres, very showy and effective. Well clothed with shiny leaves. Vigorous. Uses: FWAT. 12ft. B10, GE8, F4. In the Climbing Collection on p.3 **£2.95**

S VEILCHENBLAU

(Schmidt, Ger. 1909)

Slate-purple Rambler long cherished for its spectacular display of many - flowered clusters in summertime. Uses: PAT. 10ft. B7, GE9, F3. **£3.50**

S WEDDING DAY

(Stern, Eng. 1950)

Creamy white, yellow stamens. The simple flowers come in huge clusters on vigorous rampant plants. Spectacular display in July/August. Uses: TR. 20ft. +. B8, GE10, F5. **£2.95**
Pictured p.37

WHITE COCKADE

(Cocker, Scot. 1968)

White, full shapely H.T. blooms show up superbly against large dark leaves. An excellent rose in all respects. Good to cut, healthy. Not a fast grower. Uses: FWP. 7ft. Could be pruned and grown as Shrub. B10, GE10, F4. **£2.95**

ZEPHIRINE DROUHIN

('Thornless Rose') (Bizot, France. 1866)

Deep pink, warm and pleasing. A wonderful free flowering rose of the old days, still wanted for its pretty shape and rich scent. May get seasonal mildew, even blackspot, but still going strong after 119 years! Uses: FWPR. 6—12ft. May be pruned for hedge or shrub. B10, GE7, F7. **£2.95**

ACER (Japanese Maple): Elegant shrubs valued for the quality of their foliage, especially in Autumn. A sheltered position in good, moist well-drained soil gives the best results.

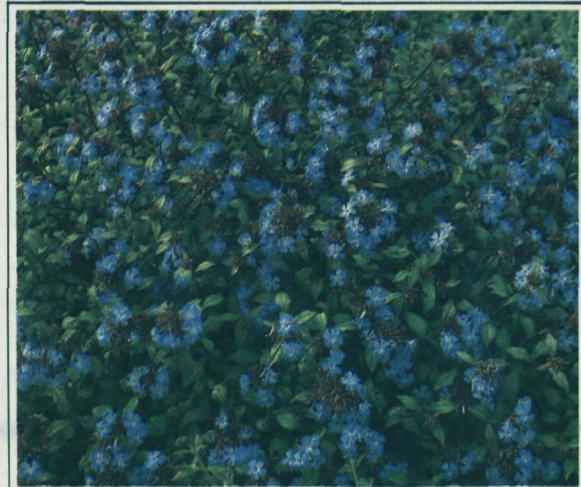


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Acer palmatum atropurpureum
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CERATOSTIGMA willmottianum

—**atropurpureum**: Bronzey—crimson foliage during the growing season, reddening in Autumn. 6ft. £4.75

—**dissectum Garnet**: Finely cut reddish bronze foliage which forms a slow, low-growing dome shape, ideal for patios. A superb shrub. 4ft. £7.25

AMELANCHIER canadensis (Snowy Mespilus): Here is a colourful large shrub suitable for screening or as an individual specimen. White flowers are an early Spring feature. and Autumn foliage is bright red. An extremely hardy plant, and very easy to grow; it needs no attention at all. £2.50

ARBUTUS unedo (Strawberry Tree). This is an unusual small tree, slow to mature and probably never attaining more than 8ft. in height. It is one of the few Ericaceous plants to do well in chalky soil. Foliage is dark and glossy; white flowers appear in Autumn, at the same time as the fruits, which are reddish, somewhat akin to strawberries in appearance, but without the taste. £4.50

AUCUBA japonica variegata: A bushy evergreen speckled with yellow markings. In difficult or shady situations Aucuba gives a good account of itself, and is frequently used in town gardens where there is no direct light, or in mixed shrub borders. 6ft. £3.25

BERBERIS: A diverse family with a multitude of purposes, but all easy to grow, tolerant of poor conditions, and requiring very little maintenance.

darwinii: Orange—yellow flowers in Spring, deep blue berries in Autumn. Evergreen, ideal for hedging or shrub border. 5ft. £2.75

julianae: Perhaps the most satisfactory and commonly planted evergreen Berberis for hedging. Grows quite quickly to 6ft. and is well-clad with tough spiny leaves. Yellow flowers in Spring have delicate scent. £2.75

linearifolia Orange King: A showy specimen shrub which bears orange flowers in Spring and sometimes repeats in Autumn. Evergreen. 8ft. £4.25

stenophylla: A graceful evergreen, yellow flowers smothering the arching stems in Spring. Invaluable for hedging, particularly in windy positions. May also be used as a mixed border specimen. 8ft. £2.75

BUDDLEIA: Late summer—flowering shrubs which grow with enthusiasm almost anywhere, and attract butterflies when in bloom. Prune back hard in March. 6ft.

Fascination: Lilac pink. £2.50

Globosa: Orange ball-like flowers. £2.50

Harlequin: Showy cream variegated foliage and reddish purple flowers. £2.50

Lochinch: Silvery foliage and lavender blue flowers with an orange eye. £2.50

Royal Red: Deep purple flowers. £2.50

White Bouquet: Bushy, free-flowering white. £2.50

CARYOPTERIS clandonensis: A very good small shrub which flowers powder-blue quite late in Summer and Autumn. Should be planted in the foreground of mixed borders, or among herbaceous plants. Prune back hard in March. 2ft. £2.75

CERATOSTIGMA willmottianum: A charming low-growing bush, flowering rich blue in late Summer and Autumn. May be placed effectively in either a shrub or herbaceous border. 1½ ft. £2.75

CHOISYA ternata (Mexican Orange Blossom): A dark, glossy evergreen with very dense habit which forms a full, rounded bush. Fragrant, white star-like flowers in clusters in Spring. Tolerates partial shade, and does well against a wall or among mixed shrub border plantings. 4ft. **£3.50**

CORNUS (Dogwood): These are particularly fine in groups or as hedging. The brightly coloured bark and the diversity of foliage present effective display throughout the year. Extremely hardy, tolerant of wet sites and shade, they may be left to fare for themselves; however pruning in March of alternate years encourages colourful new growth. 6ft.

elegantissima: Among the finest of all variegated shrubs; the silver foliage gives the impression of a mass of white, and this makes bright contrast with other shrubs having dark foliage, or against dark walls. Grows well in shade, and can be clipped for hedging. Cut Sprays are used in floral art. **£2.50**

COTINUS Royal Purple (Smoke Bush): Exceptionally deep purple foliage which reddens in Autumn; an unequalled purple foliage plant. Feathery clouds of pink bloom in Summer. A useful shrub to consider when planning mixed shrub borders, as the colour contrasts boldly with almost any neighbouring plant. 6ft. **£3.25**

ELEAGNUS: Evergreen foliage plants, functional and ornamental. They perform well in any fertile soil, and in exchange for no attention.

ebbingei: Certainly one of the finest broad-leaved evergreens for a hedge or screen. Silver reversed foliage and scented flowers in Autumn. Habit is bushy and upright, growth is vigorous. 8ft. **£2.50**

Limelight: A plant similar to Ebbingei (above), but with cream and yellow variegation. 6ft. **£2.75**

pungens aurea: Outstanding evergreen foliage plant. The splash of gold in the leaves is a focal point in Winter. Rather slow-growing at first, but makes a compact bush for foliar effect in mixed shrubberies or on the patio. Also makes a colourful low hedge. Shade tolerant. 5ft. **£3.75**

ESCALLONIA: Late Summer and Autumn flowering evergreens. These make screens of informal flowering hedges, or may be used as free-standing plants for mixed borders. They thrive in any reasonable soil preferably in a sheltered position, looking glossy and healthy throughout the year. Respond very well to hard corrective pruning, which encourages lots of new young growth from the base.

Apple Blossom: Pink chalice-shaped flowers shading off to very pale pink and white. Makes an excellent hedge. **£2.75**

macrantha: Deep pink flowers, aromatic foliage. **£2.75**

EUONYMUS: Excellent space-fillers, giving a splash of colour if used in groups for under-planting of larger shrubs, or for covering border foreground and edges. Hardy, dwarf evergreens, very useful in shade. Plant three per square yard for permanent ground cover.

Emerald & Gold: Bright yellow and green foliage to form a broad mound. An excellent companion plant for Emerald Gaiety, (below). **£1.75**

Emerald Gaiety: Cream edged leaves which pink in Winter. **£1.75**

Silver Queen: Bold silver marginal markings. **£1.75**
£15.00 per 10 ground-cover.

FORSYTHIA: Easy to grow, and always one of the first welcome sights of Spring. Flowers may be forced indoors by standing cut stems in water. After flowering, the vigorous shoots may be shortened to shape the bush.

Lynwood: The most popular Forsythia, smothered in bright yellow early in Spring. **£2.50**

GENISTA lydia: cascades of golden-yellow bloom in May and June. This is a mound-forming dwarf shrub, and looks particularly well at the front of a bed, or as part of the cover for a dry bank, or in a large rock-garden. Any type of soil will do; no maintenance necessary. **£2.75**

HAMAMELIS mollis (Chinese Witch Hazel): One of the few shrubs to flower between December and February. At that time of year there are too few opportunities to enjoy the scented, golden yellow flowers unless the plant is sited close to a regularly used pathway. Don't isolate it out of sight at the back of the garden! **£7.00**

HEBE (Veronica): Pretty, flowering evergreens, including varieties for rock-gardens, border-specimens, patio tubs and ground-cover. They grow in any reasonable soil, but should be protected from harsh Winter conditions. Very useful and colourful in small gardens.

buxifolia: Upright, dense bush with emerald foliage. White flowers in mid-Summer. **£1.95**

cupressoides: A small spreading plant which forms a mound of greenish conifer-like branches. Blue flowers in Summer. **£1.95**

franciscana variegata: Compact, rounded bush with leaves broadly margined in cream. Bright blue flowers late in Summer. **£1.95**

hectori: A compact, dwarf bush with bronze-yellow foliage. Pinkish flowers in Summer. **£1.95**

James Stirling: A good-looking, mound-forming shrublet which develops into a slightly spreading bronze bush. **£1.95**

pimeloides glaucocaulis: Attractive low-growing variety which makes spreading ground cover. Grey-blue foliage and blue flowers early in Summer. **£1.95**

HIBISCUS: Spectacular late-Summer flowering shrubs; the hotter the Summer, the better the display. Extremely hardy and self-maintaining with a most undemanding nature; should be rewarded with a sunny position. 6ft.

Blue Bird: Violet blue with a dark blue eye. **£3.95**

Hamabo: Unequalled colour for late Summer display. Large, single soft pink flowers with a crimson blotch at the base of the petals. **£3.95**

Woodbridge: Large rose-pink flowers. **£3.95**

HIBISCUS Hamabo



Ornamental Plants

Harkness

HYDRANGEA: Very showy in late Summer. They grow in any reasonable soil, and withstand partial shade.

Mopheads: Massive flower heads cover the bush from July to September. Dead—head in March, and cut back weak growth.

Hamburg: Reddish purple which can be 'blued' by regular treatment with blueing powder. 5ft. £2.95

Gertrude Glahn: Deep pink £2.95

Lacecaps: Flower—heads surrounded by an outer ring of florets.

Blue Bird: Suitable for smaller spaces. 3ft. £2.95

Bouquet Rose: Clear rose—pink. 5ft. £2.95

paniculata grandiflora: One of the very best late—Summer flowering shrubs. Magnificent, large, broad and pointed heads of white flowers borne in quantity on bushy plants. Must be pruned hard in March. 6ft. £2.75

HYPERICUM: Succeeds in all types of soil, sun or shade, and produces large yellow flowers freely from June periodically through to September. Hypericum is very widely used, the reason being that it is well known for being adaptable, dependable and tolerant.

Calicinum: (Rose of Sharon): Quickly spreads and establishes itself as dense, matted ground—cover in even the most difficult shaded or dry places. Often seen planted along the base of walls, or covering banks. Use three plants per square yard for permanent ground cover. Semi—evergreen. £12.50 per 10

Hidcote: An excellent, bushy semi—evergreen. Profusion of bright yellow flowers on display through Summer and Autumn. Very rewarding for only a little attention, and justifiably one of the most popular of all flowering shrubs for general planting. 4ft. £1.95



KOLKWITZIA amabilis (Beauty Bush): True to name, a really beautiful early—summer flowering shrub for mixed borders or as an individual specimen. No special requirements for soil or position other than preferring not to be shaded. Forms an elegant bush with arching branches becoming cloaked in pink flowers. 6ft. £2.95

LAVANDULA (Lavender): This is a favourite dwarf plant, and gives good value in flower and fragrance. Lavender thrives in any fertile soil, especially in full sun, and associates well with roses and stonework. May be used for border—edging or for low hedging. Flowers retain their colour over a long period in Summer. Plant 1½ ft. apart for hedging.

Hidcote: Grey—green foliage up to 2½ ft. Violet flowers begin in July. £12.50 per 10

Munstead: Green—blue foliage up to 2ft. Blue flowers from late July. £12.50 per 10

MAGNOLIA: First—class flowering shrubs for Spring, which should be sited to develop into one of the main features of the garden. Well drained soil away from windy exposures gives the best results. Magnolias usually survive heavy clay and respond well to mulch and feed.

soulangiana: The most commonly planted variety, producing an abundance of white flowers flushed pink at the base in Spring. 8ft. £5.95

lilifolia nigra: As soulangiana (above), but flowers are purple. 8ft. £5.95

stellata: Slow—growing and compact. White flowers. 4ft. £5.95

MAHONIA: In heavy shade this is a very useful bushy evergreen which flowers in Winter. Any reasonable soil will do.

Charity: A superb upright grower with enormous spiky leaves. Clusters of large, fragrant lemon—yellow flowers appear in late Autumn and Winter £4.95

japonica: Exotic spiky foliage, large fragrant yellow flowers in Winter. Develops into a bushy plant up to 6ft. tall and 4ft. across. Withstands heavy shade. £4.95

MAHONIA japonica



KOLKWITZIA amabilis

PEROVSKIA atriplicifolia: An unusual small shrub which seems less well—known than it deserves. Foliar effect is provided by the silvery—grey leaves and milk—white stems. Powder blue flowers in Summer. Grows easily in any soil type, preferably in full sun. Should be cut back hard in March. 3ft. £2.95

PHILADELPHUS (Mock Orange): Gives a good show even in poor chalky soil, and bears fragrant white flowers in Summer. Prune by shortening the flower—bearing stems after blooming; though if left to itself the plant will not suffer.

Belle Etoile: Compact growth up to 5 or 6ft. Produces quite large white flowers with a purple eye. £2.75

Manteau de Hermine: A good Philadelphia for small spaces, as growth never exceeds about 3ft. Flowers are double and fragrant creamy white. £2.75

Virginal: For a long time this has been one of the best Summer flowering shrubs, and is a familiar sight in bloom. Flowers are large, double white. Scent is delectable and sweet. A mature plant will usually be smothered in flowers at the peak of the season. 8ft. £2.75

PHYSOCARPUS Dart's Gold: Primarily a foliage specimen with bright yellow leaves to stand out boldly as contrasting colour; also, pretty blush pink blooms cluster along the stems in June.

The popular name of 'Ninebark' is given because of the way the bark peels in Winter to reveal attractive stems.

Try this in an open, sunny site in any fertile soil other than shallow chalk. The plant will be bushy and dense, well clad with foliage, and should only need pruning in Spring to tidy up. Height 3 to 4ft. **£2.95**

POTENTILLA: The great popularity of Potentillas can be explained by their reckless habits in flower production, which continues from early Summer to well into Autumn. They are undemanding plants to grow, and do well in any soil in sun or part shade. There are differences in the forms of growth among the varieties, though Potentillas are usually used among mixed flowering borders. The taller varieties make good low hedges, and the spreading ones could be used for ground—cover. As a rule, cut back in late Winter.

Abbotswood: Spreading habit, pure white. 3ft.

Goldfinger: Our brightest yellow. Upright. 4ft.

Gold Tip: Low—growing spreader. Primrose.

Katherine Dykes: Delightful primrose yellow. 4ft.

Red Ace: Flame red. Small and bushy plant well suited to partial shade to retain purest colour. 2ft.

Tangerine: Low, spreading habit. Coppery yellow, sometimes orange in partial shade. 2ft. **£1.95 each**

PRUNUS Otto Luyken: Low—growing and compact. Makes a dense clump of deepest green, useful for low hedges or in groups for ground—cover. An outstanding selection for both flower and foliage. Plant 2ft. apart. **£2.50**

PYRACANTHA (Firethorn): Wonderful subjects for wall—training, particularly for North or East facing aspects. Vigorous lateral shoots are produced, ideal for wiring against walls, and rapidly cover a large area with glossy evergreen foliage. White flowers smother the plant in Summer, and the subsequent fruits are produced unstintingly. This is one of the very best of wall plants, and gives something to look at all through the year; however Pyracantha grows quite stiff and upright, and can be used either as a free—standing plant, or for hedging. As hedging it will form a prickly barrier up to 8ft. tall. **£2.75**

Mohave: Fairly compact and bushy. Large scarlet berries.

Red Column: Great profusion of blood—red berries.

Soleil D'or: Yellow berries.

RUTA graveolens Jackman's Blue: This has earned a place in the catalogue largely on the basis of the continual demand for it which takes place in the garden centre. It has steel—blue ferny foliage and grows in spherical form with yellow flowers on spikes in Summer. Ruta has been in cultivation for several centuries for its medicinal properties. 3ft. **£2.75**

SALIX lanata: (Woolly Willow) A useful little plant in the silver—grey colour range; habit is slow—growing as a dense, globular bush, small enough for rock—gardens or among the foreground of borders. Woolly looking catkins, yellow with pollen, appear in Spring. **£2.75**

SANTOLINA (Lavender Cotton): Charming evergreen dwarf plant, forming a woolly mound of silver foliage. Lemon yellow flowers in Summer. Grows best in full sun, and looks well in the foreground of borders and beds. **£1.95**

SENECIO greyii: A low growing somewhat spreading evergreen shrub suitable for ground—cover and border—edging. May be pruned if required to maintain compactness in early Spring. Foliage is broad—leaved and silver—grey; flowers in Summer are yellow. Plant 2ft. apart for ground cover. **£2.75**

SKIMMIA: A slow—growing evergreen which demands shade. White flowers appear in Spring, and are followed by red berries which are in fact the main attraction, and last into Winter. Although a self—fertile Skimmia exists, it doesn't tolerate chalk; therefore we offer the following two varieties which grow in any soil, and need to be planted together to get berries. 3ft.

foremanii: Female, the berry—carrier. **£4.95**

fragrans: Male; scented white flowers. **£4.95**



SPIRAEA arguta

SPIRAEA: Flowering plants in a variety of forms and sizes, but all thriving in any soil and producing their flowers with great abandon. Taken as a family, Spiraea offers a comprehensive range of good qualities; because of this, a mixed border can easily absorb several different varieties.

Anthony Waterer: Suitable for foreground or edging of a shrub border, and compact enough to use as a patio plant. Popularly used in groups where a splash of crimson is wanted in mid—Summer. Prune hard in late Winter. 2½ ft. **£2.50**

arguta (Foam of May): Graceful, slender arching branches are draped with pure white flowers in Spring. Grows to 4ft. If trimmed at all, do it after flowering. **£2.50**

Goldflame: Has no rivals as a colourful small foliage plant. In Spring the new growths are crimson, gradually turning to golden yellow and finally green. Crimson flowers in Summer. Similar habit to Anthony Waterer (above), and requires the same treatment. **£2.50**

Little Princess: A true dwarf form, small enough for patio tubs or rock—gardens. Rose pink flowers in Summer in terminal clusters. Prune hard in late Winter. **£2.50**

Shirobana: This has the pleasing habit of carrying heads of pink or white flowers separately on the same bush. Grows to about 1½ ft, and needs hard pruning in Winter. **£2.50**

thunbergii: The earliest to bloom (March), festooned with pure white flowers. Grows to about 3ft. and may be trimmed after flowering. **£2.50**

vanhouttei: There can be no reasonable explanation to account for the fact that this shrub is not planted universally throughout the gardens of England. It gives a splendid display of white bloom in mid—Summer, and grows quickly and easily with graceful arching branches. It is excellent among massed shrubbery, and would make a beautiful informal hedge. 6ft. **£2.50**

Ornamental Plants

Harkness

SYRINGA (Lilac): There are some surprising variations among the Lilac family, however they all thrive in full sun and do particularly well in poor chalky soil. They may be pruned by cutting back after flowering, though they will not suffer if no attention is given. Lilacs are all scented.

microphylla superba: Free—flowering rose pink in May, and having the advantage of continued occasional blooms until October. 6ft. £4.50

Prestoniae: These Canadian hybrids are extremely hardy, and medium vigorous. They flower about two weeks later than the French hybrids, and the flowers are borne on current season's new growth, which helps to encourage bloom production while the plant is still young.

James MacFarlane: A rich true pink. £5.75

Royalty: Violet purple £5.75

Hybrid Lilacs: These grow as large bushy plants, and make a great impact in early Summer with their abundance of scented flowers. 8ft.

Charles Joly: Purplish red double flowers. £5.75

Madame Lemoine: Pure white double flowers. £5.75

velutina (Korean Lilac): A dwarf form which grows to about 3ft. and is therefore ideal for small gardens. Lilac—pink flowers in early Summer, sweetly scented. £3.95



SYRINGA velutina

TAMARIX pentandra rubra: This is a fine plant to have for late Summer and Autumn display. Bluish foliage is carried on reddish brown branches, which are fine and arching to give an elegant feathered effect in bloom. Flowers are a strong rose—pink, and occur from late Summer onwards on the current year's growth. If the plant becomes too straggly, prune to tidy up in March. Any fertile soil in an open position will succeed; Tamarix are good wind resisters, and grow to about 10ft. £3.50

VIBURNUM: Some of our most fragrant shrubs are found among the Viburnums; different varieties bloom at various times of year, and generally give good clusters of flowers over a long period. No special requirements for soil; some do well in partial shade.

bodnantense Dawn: A really choice shrub with very sweetly scented pink flowers, produced from November through Winter. 8ft. £3.95

burkwoodii: Clusters of fragrant, creamy—white flowers in April and May on a good, dark semi—evergreen bush. 6ft. £3.95

davidii: Excellent small shrub to fill space and form mounded ground—cover, as no maintenance is needed. Habit is spreading and dome—shaped; plants are clad with broad, leathery leaves in deep green, which contrasts with blue berries in Winter. Both sexes are needed to get berries; but as our plants are not sexually identified, it's a matter of luck. Small white flowers in midsummer. £2.95

plicatum Watanabe (Japanese Snowball). A superb shrub, tending to spread in habit, with tiered, slightly descendant branches. Prolific blooms in the form of massed florets gathered into rounded, white flower heads appear in double rows along the length of the branches. Flowering begins in mid—Summer, and repeats over a prolonged period until early frosts. Deserves a prime spot in the garden. £7.50

tinus: Winter—flowering specimen evergreen. Grows well in shade, and makes an excellent dense screen or hedge. Plant 3ft apart. £2.95

WEIGELA: Grown chiefly for their profusion of bloom in Summer, though two varieties also have unusual foliage; which is an additional reason to consider using Weigelas in mixed borders. A straight—forward plant to deal with, requiring only that some main shoots be thinned out from the base every two or three years; this maintains shape and vigour.

Bristol Ruby: Mass of crimson blooms in Summer all along the branches, which become bowed down by the sheer weight of flowers. Withstands partial shade. 6ft. £2.50

florida purpurea: A most attractive selection with purple leaves all season, and pink flowers in early Summer as a pleasing colour foil. 4ft. £2.50

florida Variegata: This shrub always seems eager to please, and is richly endowed with good qualities which merit its place among the popular stand—by selections for flowering borders. Foliage is broadly margined cream, and well set off by the soft pink funnel—shaped flowers. 4ft. £2.50



VIBURNUM plicatum Watanabe



WEIGELA florida Variegata

Shrub Collection No.2

Cotinus Royal Purple
Kolkwitzia amabilis
Potentilla Red Ace
Weigela florida variegata

Price £7.95

+ p.&c.

Saves £2.70



PHILADELPHUS Manteau de Hermine

Hedge Plants

Planting Distance Price

BEECH, green: Nice and easy to maintain as a clipped hedge, and continues to look good throughout the year. 1 ½ ft per 10 £6.00

BERBERIS julianae (see p.38): Very rugged Spring—flowering evergreen, and forms a full solid hedge. 2ft per 10 £20.00

COTONEASTER simonsii: Makes a solid hedge if pruned hard at first, 1 ½ ft per 10 £12.50

ELEAGNUS ebbingei (see p.39): Neat and compact, foliage is glossy and luxuriant. 1 ½ ft per 10 £20.00

HAWTHORN: Quickly forms an impenetrable, thorny barrier, and eventually becomes cattle—proof. However, it is not difficult to keep neat and tidy by clipping, and so makes a versatile garden plant as well as a utility plant for wild places. In either case, it's the most economical way of making a permanent hedge. 1 ½ ft per 10 £4.00

HIPPOPHAE rhamnoides: We like this, although it isn't seen very often. Silver/grey foliage, orange berries. Grows vigorously, makes a prickly plant. Useful for gapping up, or forming barriers. 2ft per 10 £6.00

LAUREL: Bushy evergreen hedge plant, leaves are glossy and shiny. Not suitable for shallow chalk soil, but excellent in shade. 3ft per 10 £17.50

LAVENDER: One of the plants which gives English gardens their special character. Easy to please, and easy to maintain. 1ft per 10 £12.50

MAHONIA aquifolium: A 'must' for an awkward spot in severe shade. Holly—like leaves, yellow flowers, purple berries. 2-3ft. 2ft per 10 £17.50

PRIVET, green: Uncomplimentary remarks are made about Privet, but there isn't really any justification for it. Privet takes a lot of beating as a hedge plant. 1ft. per 10 £6.00

Shrub Collection No.3

Caryopteris clandonensis
Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora
Philadelphus Manteau de Hermine
Viburnum bodnantense Dawn

Price £9.95

+ p.&c.

Saves £2.25

Heathers

CALLUNA: Summer flowering Heathers, bright and bold in foliage and colour, but demanding peaty acid conditions for a healthy life. Cut and dried flowers are wonderful for indoor decoration—they retain their colour indefinitely. Interplanting among Conifers is the most popular use for these; but other situations where ground—cover is wanted would be equally as good. To keep them compact and colourful, thin back the flowering inflorescences after flowering.

£7.00 per 10. Our selection

85p each.

Varieties as follows:

Anne Marie: Flat growing habit, pink.

aurea: Golden foliage, mauve flowers.

Boskoop: Bronze foliage, light purple flowers.

Roland Hage: Deep rose pink.

Silver Knight: Pink flowers, silver foliage.

ERICA (Heather): These are excellent subjects for flowering evergreen ground—cover, useful for border edging (they go well with roses), and among Conifers. Although acid soil gives the best results the varieties we offer will survive somewhat chalky soil. If your soil is chalky, use plenty of peat when planting. Our plants are two—year olds, and make nice bushy specimens. £7.00 per 10 mixed, our selection. £0.85 each

Erica carnea varieties: (All Winter flowering).

Anne Sparkes: Bronze foliage, pink flowers.

Aurea: Golden foliage, pink flowers.

Foxhollow: Pink flowers, late.

Loughrigg: Emerald foliage, purple flowers.

Myretoun Ruby: Deep red, late.

Praecox Rubra: Deep red, early.

Ruby Glow: Purplish flowers, late.

Snow Queen: Pure white, compact.

Springwood Pink: Clear rose—pink. Vigorous.

Springwood White: Vigorous; white.

Vivellii: Deep carmine: green—blue foliage.

Winter Beauty: Bright pink, December.

Erica cinerea varieties: (All mid—Summer flowering).

Alba: Pure white.

Atrosanguinea: Purple.

Cevennes: Pink.

Erica darleyensis Molten Silver: A vigorous free—flowering Winter—white. Sometimes used to make a dwarf hedge.

Erica vagans varieties: (Late Summer flowering).

Lyonnesse: Pure white, emerald foliage.

Mrs. Maxwell: Deep pink, bushy.

Climbing & Wall Plants

ACTINIDIA kolomikta: This member of the Chinese Gooseberry family, (or Kiwi fruit as it is popularly known), is grown mainly for the quality of its foliage. (For fruiting Actinidias, two plants, one of each sex, of a chinensis are required). Against a warm sunny wall, Kolomikta develops into a vigorous twining plant, leaves suffused pink and white at the pointed ends. Height, up to 15ft. £6.75

CEANOTHUS: These give best results if protected from harsh conditions by a sunny wall, and if planted in good, well—drained soil. In a suitable site, Ceanothus is one of the finest blue flowering shrubs available.

Autumnal Blue: An evergreen, with deep blue flowers late in Summer. Hardy and free—flowering. May be wall trained. £3.75

dentatus: Blue flowers in Spring. May be wall—trained. Evergreen. £3.75

Gloire de Versailles: A deciduous variety which flowers blue in late Summer and should be pruned in Spring. £3.75

HYDRANGEA

petiolaris: Once established, climbing Hydrangea is a vigorous, self—clinging climber which does well on trees, and particularly, north—facing walls. Needs initial training to locate the aerial roots. Greenish white flower—heads in Summer. 20ft. £3.25

JASMINUM nudiflorum (Winter Jasmine): A mass of yellow flowers in deepest Winter to cheer—up the wall of a house or a shed. Flowers are very welcome at that time of year for indoor decoration. Copes with any soil or exposure, including north—facing or shaded walls. £2.75

LONICERA (Honeysuckle): Lovely, adaptable twining climbers which do well in any soil or position, including part shade. Great for covering dead trees or stumps and out—buildings or old hedges. Also useful for wall—training. £2.95

Dropmore Scarlet (Scarlet Trumpet): Bright red flowers in Summer and Autumn. Good for wall—training. £2.95

haliana: Fragrant white flowers flushed with cream. Semi—evergreen. £2.95

serotina (Late Dutch): Purplish—red flowers in late Summer and Autumn. £2.95

tellmaniana: At its best in shade; a rampant climber. Clusters of fairly large bronze—yellow flowers in mid—Summer. £2.95

PARTHENOCISSUS: Self—clinging vines, quick and easy to grow, and useful in shade. Autumn colour is bold and bright. These plants will completely cover large areas with a solid mass of foliage.

Henryana: Broad, deep green foliage, fiery red in Autumn. Rampant. £2.95

Veitchii: (Boston Ivy). Young foliage is purple, becoming a blaze of scarlet in Autumn. Vigorous and effective wall covering plant. £2.95

POLYGONUM baldschuanicum: (Russian Vine). Known as 'mile—a—minute', it really is useful where a rapid cover is needed. It will festoon entire large trees in a mass of white bloom in Summer. £2.75



WISTERIA sinensis

WISTERIA: Well-known vigorous climbing twiners for a sunny wall. We offer a choice of four, and believe that the splendid show in bloom justifies the time Wisteria takes to mature.

floribunda Issai: Rumoured to produce flowers as a young plant; could this be the solution for all those who just can't be bothered to wait twenty years for their Wisteria to flower? A gamble for the impatient gardener. **£5.95**

floribunda macrobotrys: Individual inflorescences may hang down as much as 2 or 3ft. Scented, lilac blue. **£4.95**

sinensis (Chinese Wisteria): Trusty and familiar climber which gives a fine show of deep lilac flowers in May. **£4.95**

sinensis alba: As *sinensis*, above, but having white flowers. **£4.95**

Clematis

CLEMATIS: Splendid climbing plants very colourful in flowers from early Summer to Autumn. Easy to encourage into a trellis or wire support; some do well growing up trees or large shrubs. Clematis should be planted deep in richly manured soil and given plenty of shade for their roots. Do not allow the plant to dry out; plenty of moisture encourages performance. We recommend spraying with a fungicide such as Benlate to reduce the likelihood of Clematis wilt.

£7.95 per 3 plants.

£2.95 each



Jackmanii



Nelly Moser

LARGE FLOWERING HYBRIDS

Duchess of Edinburgh: Double white flowers in early Summer and Autumn. Succeeds in any aspect; no pruning needed. 10ft.

Ernest Markham: Petunia red with yellow stamens, blooms late Summer/Autumn. East, South or West aspect, up to 12ft. Prune hard.

Jackmanii: A vigorous grower, flowers violet through Summer. Prune hard in late Winter. Up to 20ft.

Lasurtern: Lavender blue with cream stamens. Flowers early Summer and Autumn. Will grow on East, South or West wall, to about 10ft. Do not prune.

Madame le Coultre: Pure white flowers borne in profusion through Summer. Does well in any aspect and grows to about 20ft. No pruning necessary.

Mrs. Cholmondeley: Lavender blue, with brown stamens. Summer flowering, suitable for East, South or West wall. Grows to 10ft, do not prune.

Mrs. N. Thompson: Deep violet, with scarlet bar — rather an eye catcher. Flowers in early Summer and Autumn. Suits East, South or West aspect. Grows to 10ft, do not prune.

Nelly Moser: Pale mauve—pink flowers which retain their delicate colour best in partial shade. Flowers early Summer and Autumn. Do not prune. 10ft.

Niobe: Dark ruby—red, almost black at first. Stamens are gold. Flowering period is June to September. Use an East, South or West wall, and prune hard in March. Grows 10ft.

Rouge Cardinal: An excellent red variety, crimson flowers throughout Summer. Does well on East, South or West walls, and needs hard pruning in late Winter. 10ft.

Sealand Gem: Rosy mauve with a pink bar, flowers in Summer. Does well in any position and needs no pruning. 10ft.

The President: Deep purple—blue flowers in Summer. Grows well in any aspect and needs no pruning. 12ft.

Ville de Lyon: Crimson flowers in late Summer and Autumn. Grows well on an East, South or West wall. Prune hard in late Winter.

Vyvyan Pennell: Double violet flowers shaded crimson in late Spring and late Summer. Suitable for East, South or West walls. Do not prune. 10ft.

SPECIES

Alpina Pamela Jackman: Mid—blue lantern shaped blooms in Spring. Will grow in any aspect to about 10ft. Do not prune. **£2.95**

Macropetala Bluebird: Masses of little blue flowers in Spring. Will grow to about 10ft. in any aspect, and needs no pruning. **£2.95**

Macropetala Rosy O'Grady: A Charming pink, with small, nodding blooms in Spring. Will grow in any aspect to about 10ft. Do not prune. **£2.95**

montana Rubens: Excellent early flowering variety, masses of pink flowers. Useful for covering trees or buildings. Does well in any aspect, particularly on North facing walls. Do not prune. **£2.95**

montana Elizabeth: Very beautiful and free—flowering in soft pink. The flowers are sweetly scented, and appear in Spring. A rampant grower, exceeding 20ft. in any aspect. Excellent for covering unwanted objects. Do not prune. **£2.95**

tangutica: Masses of yellow flowers in early Summer and Autumn, followed by decorative silky seed pods. Suitable for East, South or West walls. Do not prune. 20ft. **£2.95**

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Congratulations	9	Iced Ginger	19	Polly	13	Wendy Cussons	15
Conqueror's Gold	18	Ingrid Bergman	11	Pot o'Gold	13	Whisky Mac	15
Constance Spry	31	Innoxia Femille	11	Potter Heritage	14	White Cockade	37
Cornelia	31	International Herald Tribune	26	Pour Toi	29	Wishing	24
Crimson Shower	35	Intrigue	19	Precious Platinum	14	Woodsii Fendleri	33
Dainty Dinah	26	Invincible	19	Rosa Primula	22	Xanthina	33
Danse des Sylphes	35	Isobel Harkness	11	Princess Alice	22	Yesterday	28
Danse du Feu	35	Jacques Cartier	32	Princess Michael of Kent	14	Yvonne Rabier	28
Darling Flame (Wpg)	28	James Mason	32	Pristine	33	Zephirine Drouhin	37
Diamond Jubilee	9	Janice Tellian	29	Queen Elizabeth	22		
Disco Dancer	18	John Waterer	11	Radox Bouquet	22		
Dorothy Perkins (Wpg)	6	Josephine Bruce	11	Rambling Rector	37		
Double Delight	9	Julia's Rose	11	Rebecca Claire	14		
Dr. Darley	10	Just Joey	11	Red Blanket	33		
Dr. Dick	9	Kiftgate	36	Red Devil	14		
Drummer Boy	26	Kim	27	Reddiffusion Gold	22		
Dublin Bay	36	King's Ransom	11	Regensberg	27		
Elizabeth Harkness	10	Korresia	20	Reine Victoria	33		
Emily Gray	36	Lady Penzance	32				
Empress Josephine	31	Lady Sylvia	11				
		Laughter Lines	20				
		Lavender Jewel	29				
		Leigh—Lo	11				
		Lemon Delight	29				
		Len Turner	20				
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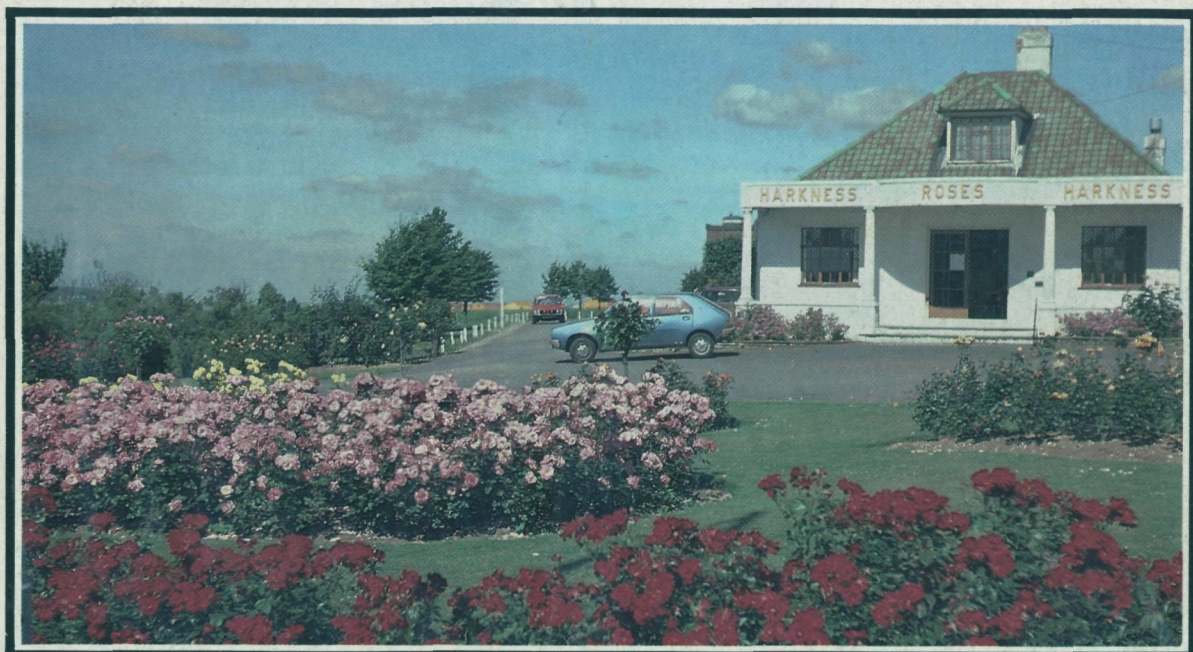
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